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## Zhiibaahaasing band member wins title of Mrs. America

by Robin BurrIDGE

LAS VEGAS—Zhiibaahaasing band member Mekayla Eppers, Mrs. Indiana 2017, has been crowned Mrs. America 2018.

Ms. Eppers (nee Diehl) was crowned at the Mrs. America 2018 pageant held in Las Vegas at the Westgate Las Vegas Resort Saturday night.

"I was feeling pretty confident about Mekayla as she was going into the competition—she has done so much work since representing Indiana at Miss USA in 2014," Ms. Eppers' mom Melinda Sampson, who lives in Shesheganing First Nation, shared with The Expositor. "I watched it (Mrs. America) with friends in Sudbury. I was so nervous as they were narrowing down to the winner. She has worked so hard and it was just wonderful to see it pay off when she was crowned. I'm very proud of her."

Ms. Sampson said that she Face-timed with her daughter following the crowning Saturday evening.

"She was very excited," said Ms. Sampson. "She loves helping people and can't wait to take on her new role."

"I am at a loss for words but I

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**BIG FISH, BIG PRIZE**—In what was an exciting finish to the second annual Manitoulin Expositor Salmon Classic, Chris Wdowiak was named the first prize champion, claiming a cool \$12,000. Mr. Wdowiak took his almost 25 pound first prize fish Friday night at Michael's Bay. He's seen in photo with wife Pamela Brunelle. **SEE STORY ON PAGE 3.**

photo by Michael Erskine

## Northeast Town joins Billings, Tehkummah in Garlon ban

by Robin BurrIDGE

LITTLE CURRENT—The Northeast Town council voted 'no' to Hydro One Forestry spraying the herbicide Garlon in the municipality this fall.

Council received a letter from Steven Dey, Hydro One forestry technician for Manitoulin/Algoa, asking permission to apply the herbicide Garlon to the bush and cut stumps while conducting vegetation maintenance in the municipality this fall. (This on top of the spraying already conducted by Hydro One this summer.)

Councillor Bruce Wood moved a motion, seconded by Councillor Paul Skippen, to give Hydro One permission to spray the herbicide in the municipality.

"I've stated this before—I'm opposed to the spraying of Gar-

lon—I'm not happy with the spreading of poison," said Councillor Michael Erskine. "I have concern with this, and I want that to be on the record."

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## UCCM establishes residential program for addiction rehab

by Robin BurrIDGE

AUNDECK OMNI KANING—The United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnising (UCCMM) will be launching a mental health and addictions program, Gwekwaadziwin, this fall.

"We are in final lead up talks with the province and will be initiating the program this fall," said Gwekwaadziwin Executive Director Sam Gilchrist. "We have received provisional funding from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care (MHLC) for the Seven Grandfathers program for 19- to 30-year-olds and are still advocating for the Four Directions program for youth 13 to 19."

Mr. Gilchrist explained that the Seven Grandfathers program is three-phases, and centered on the five pillars of: treatment, culture, education, outdoors and aftercare. The first phase is land based treatment, which is 12 weeks in length and helps remove individuals from triggers and allows them to reset and focus on health and wellness while starting to develop a treatment plan.

"The program is entirely client centered, so it is designed around the needs of the individual," explained Ms. Gilchrist. "The outdoor program has therapeutic interventions, similar to other programs, but integrates connecting clients with the land and culture. They will work as a team—cooking food, collecting firewood, and generally living with the land. Participants will also be given the opportunity to work with staff individually."

Mr. Gilchrist said that in a typical addictions program setting, clients will meet with clinicians and talk about their progress and challenges, but with Gwekwaadziwin, clinicians will see the behaviours in action and be better able to work with clients.

"We're creating an environment where there will be opportunities to thrive and make mistakes for our clientele; and then our staff will be able to work through these problems with the clients as they arise," added Mr. Gilchrist. "With the program

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## Wiky man dies in tragedy at building site

by Alicia McCutcheon

CHELMSFORD—The Ministry of Labour is investigating after the tragic death of a Wiikwemkoong man at a Chelmsford jobsite on Monday, August 21.

Janet Deline, a media spokesperson for the Ministry of Labour, told The Expositor that the ministry was notified on Monday, August 21 of an incident at a private residential construction site where one worker was fatally injured and another wounded after the roof trusses collapsed. The employer was Pro Steel North based out of Wiikwemkoong.

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## 1979 study pondered swing bridge replacement Suggested fixed-ends, raised deck model

by Alicia McCutcheon

LITTLE CURRENT—While the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) is about to undertake a study on Manitoulin's iconic swing bridge, this same topic—has the bridge outlived its useful life?—was discussed at length in 1979 with the ministry developing a study at that time to tackle that very same topic.



The purpose of the report in 1979 was because Manitoulin's initial Official Plan was nearing completion with individual zoning plans for towns and hamlets being prepared as part of the process.

"Although the present facilities will be adequate for some time to come, eventually

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An emotional Mekayla Eppers is crowned Mrs. America.

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Manitoulin Expositor Salmon Classic organizer Dave Patterson congratulates Jordan Williamson on not only winning the new youth category of the derby, but securing an 11th place prize as well. Winners and the not-so-lucky gathered at the John Budd Memorial Park pavilion on Sunday for a great fish fry put on by the Tehkummah Fire Department and some great fun and fish tales.

photos by Michael Erskine

## Expositor Classic Salmon Derby wraps up second successful year

by Michael Erskine

SOUTH BAYMOUTH—Laughter and good natured comradery was the order of the day as the second annual Manitoulin Expositor Salmon Classic's closing ceremonies were held at the John Budd Memorial Park pavilion on Sunday.

"This has been amazing," enthused event organizer Dave Patterson as he gazed out over the packed pavilion. "There are so many people to thank I could go on and on, but I especially want to thank all the ticket sellers who stepped up to help make this happen, we couldn't have done this without you." Those ticket sellers helped to propel the number of people taking part in the derby by more than 100 fishers to an outstanding 650 of all gender and ages. He also

extended his gratitude to the weight in stations for without their help the derby could not happen.

As Mr. Patterson set about the long anticipated process of handing out prizes, including a whopping \$12,000 first prize, he noted that it has already been decided that will be some positive changes next year. "We will be upping the daily catch prize," he said. "Stay tuned for details."

First prize winner Chris Wdowiak was on hand to accept his prize (one of several the avid fisherman collected actually) for landing a 24.87-pound whopper of a salmon to collect the \$12,000 first prize cheque. Followed by second prize winner Jesse Cundari, whose 22.43-pound salmon two days before the

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## M'Chigeeng heads to the polls Sept. 9

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The M'Chigeeng band election is slated for Saturday, September 9. Two of the 12 nominated candidates have consented to let their names stand: Adam Debassige and incumbent Linda Debassige. The platform positions of the two candidates follow this note.

There are 19 candidates standing for band council. They are: Kim Aelick,

Albert Beaudin, Jesse Beaudin, Jeff Bebonang, Andrew M. Corbiere, Dennis Corbiere, Ray Corbiere, Grace Debassige, Howard Debassige, Kimberly Debassige, Leslie Debassige, Lewis Debassige, Sam Debassige, Forry Hare, Thomas Hare, Melissa Kasunich, Daughness Migwans, Henry Panamick Sr. and Hazel Recollet.

The chief electoral officer is Dan Simon who noted that mail out bal-

lots were sent to all off-reserve members who have contact the electoral office. Two advance polls will be held on Sunday, September 3 and Monday September 4 at the M'Chigeeng complex from 2 to 5pm. The final poll will be held Saturday, September 9 from 10 am to 5 pm. The ballot count will take place immediately after the close of the final poll.

### Home is where the heart is

After he retired, Adam Debassige resisted entering into the political arena, a role he was very familiar with having served on band council and as deputy chief for many years. "I've been nominated before but I didn't let my name stand," he said. With six children and 13 grandchildren he had plenty to keep him occupied.

But this time he changed his mind and decided to heed the call. "All of the kids have left the area," he said. "It's just me and the wife at home and the grandchildren are spread out all over the country, from Edmonton to Sudbury."

Mr. Debassige notes that he speaks Anishinabemowin and his wife is a language teacher. "Now I am working on learning to read and write (the lan-

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Adam Debassige

### Continuity is the key to success for the community

M'Chigeeng incumbent Linda Debassige looks back at the last two years she has served as ogimaa in her community with a mixture of amazement and wonder; and, although she says she is loath to go there, with a little bit of pride mixed in.

"It really isn't me to boast about what I have done," she said. "I have been so focussed on the challenges that lie before me that I don't have that much time to dwell on what lies behind."

One accomplishment does stand out, however. "All that lobbying, all those long tiring trips to Ottawa and Toronto, Sault Ste. Marie, they have paid off," she said. "I was surprised when I saw the

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Linda Debassige

## Patsy Corbiere elected to third term as chief of Aundeck Omni Kaning

by Alicia McCutcheon

AUNDECK OMNI KANING—The results of the Aundeck Omni Kaning election of Saturday, August 26 are in with Patsy Corbiere elected for her third term as chief with 150 votes over Michael Abotosaway's 107 votes.

The six-member council table will consist of Max Abotosaway (104 votes), Irene Altman (96 votes), Marvin Assinewai (105 votes), Ryan Corbiere (112 votes), Deborah Francis (91 votes), Scott Madahbee (98 votes) and Karen McGraw (124 votes).

Chief Corbiere and council will serve a three-year term.



Patsy Corbiere has been named the chief of AOK for a third term.

## Rock festival announced for next July in Little Current

by Alicia McCutcheon

LITTLE CURRENT—Some may call them gluttons for punishment, or just eager beavers, but Craig Timmermans and wife Kelly of Manitoulin Country Fest fame are planning a new endeavour for next July—a rock concert series—and they need your help in finding a catchy new name.

All who know Mr. Timmermans realize that country music is not where his heart lies—that's Kelly's claim to fame—but it is rock and roll, especially classic rock, that gets his blood pumping, and it's to this end, and thanks to a lot of prompting from fellow rock fans, that he has decided that Manitoulin is in much need of just such an event.

"I've been thinking about this for several years," he told The Expositor Monday. "We have always made it our mission that we never wanted to compete with other events, but now that (Spanish) Rock and Roar is no longer, we can bring up our Country Fest gear that much sooner and have another event (at the Flat Rock Entertainment Centre, home of Country Fest)."

The weekend in question is the weekend before Haweater Weekend, designated as the only "free" weekend on Manitoulin, meaning free of other festivals and events. Next year that weekend will be July 27 and 28.

"The time is now, the time is right," Mr. Timmermans added.

The Timmermans are also hoping to have a strong craft brewery element at the new event and have already reached out to Manitoulin Brewing Co., Split Rail Brewing Co. and Stack Brewing in Sudbury to have a major presence at the event.

"The idea is to have people camp Friday night and have a battle of the bands on the Manitoulin Transport Stage featuring local bands, with the headliners on Saturday," he said. This will likely mean two big name Canadian icons in classic rock.

"A lot of people have been asking for a rock festival and now the timing is right," Mr. Timmermans reiterated.

The Timmermans, in collaboration with The Expositor, are hosting a contest to 'name that rock concert.' Have an idea for a catchy festi-

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## Duane Deschamps appointed chief Northeast Town Fire Department

LITTLE CURRENT—Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin is pleased to announce that Duane Deschamps, a 13-year veteran of the department, has been appointed chief of the Northeast Fire Department.

Former Chief Darren Bailey, who guided the department for over 12 years, was unable to continue in the role for personal reasons.

"This is an outstanding department and we are very proud of our firefighters," said Mayor MacNevin. "They have proven their abilities over and over again, and I am confident that under the leadership and direction of Chief Deschamps they will continue to excel."

Fire Chief Deschamps said that "he welcomes this opportunity to contribute to the growth of the department and that it is an honour and a privilege to be associated with such an amazing group of firefighters."

"I have been with the Northeast Town Fire Department for 13 years, and on a mix of fire departments for 17 years," added Fire Chief Deschamps. "I look forward to growing the department with the officers."

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## Expositor Correction

In the August 23 edition of The Expositor, the Page 3 article 'Patsy Corbiere hopes to lead AOK through a third term as chief,' the story incorrectly states that "a band member can't vote in an election unless they've lived in the community for one year." The statement should actually read "a band member can't run in an election unless they've lived in the community for one year. The Expositor regrets this error and any confusion it may have caused."

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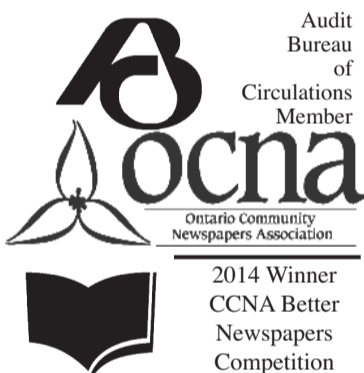
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"who dares not offend, cannot be honest"

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opinion

**editorial**

## No heroes can survive scrutiny in the modern

The path to reconciliation is fraught with difficult rows to hoe—and in today's hyper-partisan world of politics there is no shortage of those who would seek partisan advantage from large crevasses that remain strewn across the field.

Witness last week's proclamation from the Elementary Teacher's Federation of Ontario calling for the removal of the name of Sir John A. MacDonald from Ontario schools due to his demonstrably racist policies, which included, among others, the establishment of the residential school system and the genocide by neglect through starvation of the Indigenous population that were proving a challenge to the expansion of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Oddly, the union did not seem to dwell on Canada's first prime minister's blocking of Asiatic peoples on the grounds that they would dilute the Aryan character of the British Empire. Yellow is apparently not the colour of the month when it comes to grandstanding pronouncements.

Make no mistake, this announcement smacks of coldly calculated opportunism, and it worked.

Within moments former Conservative cabinet minister and Stephen Harper attack dog, the man under whose hand the Pearson presence was excised from Laurier House, was waxing purple on scurrilous attempts to erase history. Close in line followed the leader of the Progressive Conservative Official Opposition Patrick Brown along with a host of conservative politicians and pundits at every level of government.

Liberal Premier Kathleen Wynne, while noting the decision to name schools lies with the purview of school boards, did not sidestep the issue, declaring that Mr. MacDonald is a significant part of Canadian history and the man largely credited with welding the nation of Canada together.

Among all of the arguments put forward in this debate is the specious and oft recurring theme that "he was a man of his times." To

understand just how offensively this might fall on the ears of an Indigenous survivor of his policies or their descendant, just substitute the word Jew where the Anishinaabe references appear—then check if you would support naming a school after such a person. So let us leave the "man of his times" argument at the door where we might also wish to check our white privilege. Most God-fearing Christians of even Sir John's day would have balked at the starvation of a whole race of people for political expediency, just as most Germans would have drawn the line at the gas chamber, refusing to believe that such a monstrous policy was the order of the day.

The pragmatic decisions of dealing with the "questions" facing expedient national policy that were made safely in the closeted shadows "back in the day" tend to be monstrous when revealed in the full light of any day.

Sadly, it seems, no hero can withstand the scrutiny of the modern era and no partisan history is free of taint. Liberal icon Sir Wilfrid Laurier urged Eastern European "men in sheepskin coats" to settle the West, but did his level best to keep the Chinese out of Canada and William Lyon Mackenzie King, Canada's longest serving prime minister was a closet admirer of Adolph Hitler's labour relations policies. Even the saintly NDP have to wear J.S. Woodsworth, whose 1909 book on immigration 'Strangers Within Our Gates' used race-based language that is total anathema to today's NDP.

Indigenous MP Robert-Falcon Ouellette on CBC's 'The House' suggested that we must come to accept that "everyone has warts."

Instead of washing our history clean of those moments that we would rather forget, we should focus our efforts on education and a frank and open recognition of our historical shortcomings so that we might not repeat them and look toward building a better future for all of our children. This nation's colonial past should be taught to students in our schools at all levels, warts and all.

**letters**

## Writer rebuts letter challenging Canadian support of Line 5

### *Enbridge shareholders are regular guys and gals with small investments*

**To the Expositor:**

The August 9 edition of this paper featured a letter by Jim Nies ('Disappointment in Canada's support of the Line 5 pipeline,' Page 4) regarding the Enbridge Line 5 pipeline and Ontario's support for the continued use of this facility.

I would like to comment on two assertions that Mr. Nies makes. The first is this statement; "And of course, escalating climate change calamities are making the need to move away from fossil fuels ever more obvious." Really?! And where is the evidence to support such a claim? The UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) has been researching the issue for decades and has issued a study regarding extreme weather events. Here is some of what the IPCC has to say about extreme weather events:

"There continues to be a lack of evidence and thus low confidence regarding the sign of trend in the magnitude and/or frequency of floods on a global scale."

"There is low confidence in observed trends in small spatial – scale phenomena such as tornadoes and hail."

"There is low confidence in detection and attribution of changes in drought over global land areas since the mid 20th century."

In addition to the above statements by the IPCC, Professor Roger Pielke Jr (University of Colorado Boulder) pointed out in a recent presentation in Sydney Australia that global disasters due to extreme events since 1990 are 50 percent what they were for the previous 27 years, as a proportion of GDP. Closer to home, the US has seen a decrease of ~ 20 percent in both hurricane intensity and frequency at landfall since 1900.

The statements by the IPCC and Pielke do not forecast what the future will bring but they do present hard evidence regarding the climate record. Anyone claiming that "climate calamities" are escalating are either misinformed or they are making a case for a political position, evidence be damned.

The second issue is the condition of the Line 5 facility. Mr. Nies calls Line 5 decrepit, a disaster waiting to happen, cracked and dented, corroded, unsupported, flexing continuously, among other things. It is interesting that the US Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) recently completed an independent review of Enbridge's inspection data on Line 5 which is posted on its website. PHMSA has concluded that the Line 5

Straights crossing is safe and fit for purpose and provides validation from a third party expert that the pipe lines (there are two of them) are in good condition. Line 5 is the most inspected segment of pipe in Enbridge's crude oil network and the examinations include:

Autonomous Underwater Vehicle inspections using side-scan sonar – done every two years.

Visual inspections using vehicles and divers – done every two years.

Internal inspections using "smart pigs" which are sent through the line and capable of measuring wall thickness, corrosion, and like parameters – this has been done three times in the last five years.

This assessment stands in stark contrast to the picture that Mr. Nies' attempts to paint. The information that PHMSA has posted is reassuring and one can be reasonably certain that the process used to monitor pipe lines is sound and robust from an engineering point of view. It seems obvious that the information Mr. Nies has presented regarding the Line 5 condition has as much credibility as the comments regarding extreme weather events.

A last point about profits. Part of the headline states that the profits of a small group of people outweigh the concerns of thousands. Small group? I am assuming that Mr. Nies is referring to the shareholders of Enbridge. These are the people that benefit from any profits that Enbridge would make. Like any other corporation of this size, this is no small group and it is comprised of people who represent all levels of the income spectrum. If you are a retired teacher, your pension fund could be supported in part by an investment in the fossil fuel industry. If you have an investment in a primary industry fund, Enbridge could be providing a dividend to the fund. In other words, there are very few Scrooge McDucks out there sitting on a mountain of gold coins. Most of the people who benefit are regular guys and gals who have a modest interest via an investment instrument of some sort. In more general terms, the average person working with the aim of improving their lot in lot in life are relying on inexpensive and reliable energy to pursue their livelihood. They far outnumber the mobs that are mobilized by the Chicken Littles of the climate debate, and they tend to support pipeline projects because they know fossil fuels are necessary as they are the engine powering our economy.

Shane Desjardins  
Mindemoya

## Kudos to Tehkummah

### *Garlon refutation lauded*

**To the Expositor:**

At the Tehkummah Township council meeting, where the council quickly and unanimously voted to protect our township from toxic herbicide spraying, I experienced pleasant shock, ecstatic relief, and joyous celebration.

Here's hoping that oodles of Island residents can share that experience with their town councils...and you thought it was all boring paper shuffling, eh? Three cheers for Tehkummah!!!

A.B. Watson  
Tehkummah

## Writer celebrates Jan McQuay

### *'A Fair Country' should be mandatory study*

**To the Expositor:**

Kudos to Jan McQuay for her historical viewpoints of how Canada became Canada, and of all the unscrupulous ways the British stole the land of the Indigenous peoples ('History can be looked at from more viewpoints than the victor's,' August

23, Page 4).

Now if only the ministries of education would insist that John Ralston Saul's book 'A Fair Country' be used as a history textbook in all Canadian schools.

Marian Henry  
Little Current

**Georgina Nahwegahbow**

Georgina has always been proud of her culture, inspired initially by her ancestral roots, extending to her life up north as well as to her home on Manitoulin. "People on Manitoulin have their own culture. We have a unique way to get ready for the seasons and we share what we have, helping others when we can. We have gotten along with other cultures on the Island for over 100 years. Kids went to school together and grew up together. Schools have changed too. Native studies is a topic that is available in provincial schools now. That wasn't the case 50 years ago."

Georgina's maternal grandmother died quite young. "She was getting water out of the lake in early fall when she died suddenly. We didn't get to know her but I remember my grandfather quite well. He worked hard for his family," she shares. "My paternal grandmother had a big garden which nourished her family. She worked even when she had a broken arm. The splint allowed her to continue her duties. The woodstove was always on and produced a continuous array of delicious cakes, stews, scones, bread or soups."

Georgina was born on April 11, 1944 to Ignatius and Helen Stoney-point at Sagamok First Nation. Helen's maiden name was Shannonian, which means 'south wind.' Georgina's grandmother was the midwife for the area and attended her birth. "There were 11 in my family, five girls and six boys. There were eight in Charlie's. His family transferred to Sucker Creek from Birch Island in the 1940s. His father David and mother Sarah were hard-working people too. Dave farmed in the summer and lumbered in the winter. He also worked for the local township."

"In those 'walking days' we went everywhere by foot. I remember my grandmother harnessing up the family dog to get groceries in Massey. Sometimes she would agree to buy some candy treats, doling them out very slowly to all her grandchildren. All necessities were provided by family and extended family. We all had clothes and food and anything else we needed."

"I watched grandmother pick and make 'm'shkiki' or medicines for us. She would hang the berries and leaves on strings to dry. I tried to listen and watch carefully so I could provide these remedies to my own family later." Sweet grass was dried too for handicrafts that could be sold to tourists. The local Americans who owned the lodges in the area would come regularly and buy crafts.

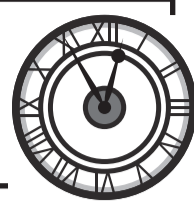
"One of my first memories was walking with my mother. I remember looking up at her as we walked to the home of an elder, a neighbour who was very sick. There was a small child, his grandson, laying in a hammock, in a tent, outside. We found the elder lying in his bed. The egg cup beside him, at my eye-level, was imprinted on my four-year old brain. It was likely left over from his breakfast that morning. I realized being old and sick still meant you had to eat." For Georgina, the egg cup may have also signalled a sense of normal routine in a stressful situation, even though she was too young to comprehend the finality of physical death.

"My mother made dresses from flour bags and the sisters would argue about who got the next dress. Each bag was a little different and that made it more fun. My mother would make slips out of the white flour bags. We all wore slips under our dresses."

The family lived in their log home year-round but would take the tent to go berry-picking or fishing on the shore. "I was the second born and I remember there were four or five of us originally heading out to harvest berries. We gathered blueberries, blackberries, gooseberries, and at homemade chow-chow (green



**Now and Then**  
A Celebration of Life on Manitoulin  
Mnaachtoong Maadsewin  
By Petra Wall



Wedding day, 1963.

was heated with a central stove, stoked with coal. The town would deliver the coal to the big bin. The teacher and the kids would bring the coal into the school. "I loved school, learning English and doing art. Initially it was a whole new culture for me: the nuns, Catholic religion and English; but once I got used to it, I was fine. We had one teacher that was mean. She was strap-happy. I remember getting the black strap for talking to my neighbour. I really tried to be good so I wouldn't get hit. Eventually the parents had a meeting to see if this teacher could be sent



Georgina and Charles.



The Sucker Creek contingent when Georgina was a teacher at Little Current Public School are, front row, left, Ernest McGraw, Morris Madahbee, Roger Corbiere, Lorne Abotossaway, Henry Nahwegahbow, middle row, Billy Corbiere, Diane Abotossaway, Linda Madahbee, Margaret Ann Madahbee, Barbara Nahwegahbow, Gladys McGraw, Archie Madahbee, Ron Owl, Betty McGraw, Shirley Owl, Dorethy Nahwegahbow, Ivan Pitawankwat, Sam Owl and back row, Ed Kozeyah.

tomato) that could be cured and stored. The whole family would pick for the entire day, often selling some of their yield to waiting buyers at the edge of the bush. We got \$10 for an 11-quart basket and we would pick eight to 12 each day."

"Some of the money would purchase sardines and corned beef for lunch the next day. Blueberries and bannock made a wonderful treat after lunch. The bannock would be cut into narrow strips and rolled in overlapping circles onto a stick. It would be cooked over the fire, slipped from the stick and the cavity filled with fresh blueberries or blueberry preserves. A flat leaf or birch bark made a good plate and sticks could be carved clean of branches and sharpened with a pocket knife. Dad always had a pocket knife."

"Christmas and New Years were special. We would travel from home to home for five or six

miles, on horse-pulled sleighs. This time of celebration was called 'Namkoodaading.' At each stop we would get an orange, an apple, mixed nuts or a candy from the hosts. Adults might also get a beer or some home brew. All food was shared. Occasionally, adults enjoying the home brew might wish to stay longer."

"While adults were visiting, we were sleighing and sliding on deer hides or cardboard, with the other children. Occasionally the older boys had made a sled out of boards. It was normal to see a lot of deer hair from the hides on the most popular hills. At the end of the day, I was often tired and getting bored, waiting for the adults. I often vowed to stay home in the future, but I always changed my mind a year later."

Georgina went up to Grade 8 in the Sagamok Reserve school, run by nuns. "When school started, we often got new shoes or boots from the store." The one-room school

away."

High School was at the Residential Catholic School in Spanish. (Protestant and Anglican kids went to Sault St. Marie to the Shingwaak School.) "The Residential school was another cultural shock. We were introduced to the teachers and then everything after that was done by the bell. We got up at first bell at 6:30 am for mass, breakfast at second bell, and school at 9 am. Classes ended at 4 pm and homework was done from 7 to 9 pm and the last bell came at 9:30 pm for bedtime. They were trying to achieve 'perfect coordination' of all student activities. My mother had a good experience at Residential School and she wanted the same, 'all the goods' as she put it, for me."

"Mrs. Gattie was a nice teacher and she could be convinced to let us watch television, if we finished our work early. The television set would be rolled in and we could

watch a beloved variety show. None of us had this opportunity at home. At the end of the year, you had to pass all your subjects. If you failed one, you failed them all."

Men looked after the furnace and the garden. Students were not allowed in the garden. Meals consisted of porridge, usually cream of wheat, and toast for breakfast. Vegetables like carrots and potatoes from the garden, were served for lunch and supper. "Sometimes we got Click (tinned) meat as a treat. One day I got a stalk of rhubarb after class and I snuck into the dining room to get some sugar or salt, either of which greatly enhanced the flavour of the rhubarb."

"Cultural change was stressful at first, but we were able to visit our families for holidays, and enjoy the ambience at home. Some of the younger kids age six and under, kids who came from troubled homes or lived more than 10 miles away, didn't have the same opportunity to see their families. There were no buses at the time. Girls who misbehaved were told to stand in the corner or they got the strap if the incident was more serious. That was the extent of abuse for the girls. Boys may have had a harder time at Residential School. The boys' school closed in 1958."

"Six of us, all from Sagamok, ran away from the school, once. Our parents had come to pick us up for the Hallowe'en Dance, a big event and dance back home. The sisters felt that a celebration featuring masks and costumes was not appropriate, so they did not allow us to leave. We thought this most unfair. Our Sagamok group scraped together all the money we had, adding up to about \$15. We climbed out of our windows with the help of an emptied garbage can, and ran across the field to find a taxi. He charged us eight dollars to go home."

"We all arrived to the dance. I was waiting outside when I saw my dad approach. He was angry that we had been disobedient and sent me home. The nuns had deduced that we all came from Sagamok and called the only family that had a phone, a crank-phone, ours! My dad took us back and then we got in trouble with the nuns. They claimed we had made a mess with the garbage can. They told us to go upstairs, have a bath and change our clothes."

"After finishing Grade 10, I left the Residential School in 1961. I was told I would finish high school in a non-Native high school. I chose Sault Ste. Marie along with four other girls. My sister decided not to continue her education. This move was another cultural awakening for me. I boarded with a non-Native family. They ate different foods, lots of meat and even had frozen food. All their meals were prepared differently too. I was happy that I had my own room. I had household chores to do, like cleaning, vacuuming and laundry. I found out that lots of machines did the work now."

"I finished Grade 11 and 12 with some help from my friends. One time, I had to write a book report in English and did not know how to do that. Other Anishinaabe girls explained the process to me and I did a good job after that. After I graduated, I got work in the Little Current Hospital and spent some time in Sucker Creek as part of a student employment program. That's how I met Charlie Nahwegahbow. He was part of a circle of friends I was getting to know. Somehow, I just knew it was God's plan that we would meet now and get together in the future."

The couple married on a cold, snowy February 2, 1963 in the old Anglican Church in Sucker Creek. "We forgot all about Ground Hog Day," Georgina adds, smiling. "We didn't have time or money for a honeymoon." The

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# Truck crashes into Season's Restaurant, leaves one woman injured

by Alicia McCutcheon

M'CHIGEENG—No charges have been laid after a 64-year-old man of Lively accidentally plowed into Season's Restaurant in M'Chigeeng with his pickup truck on Wednesday of last week.

Kat Corbiere, who works at the restaurant, told The Expositor that she was sitting in the restaurant at about 5:30 pm with her brother when her brother shouted, alerting them to a red pickup truck that was moving quickly toward the restaurant. "It wasn't slowing down," she said.

The force of the impact caused the front wall to be pushed in and at the very place a man and woman were eating dinner, causing debris to fly everywhere and the woman to fall to the floor. She sustained minor injuries to her head, back and neck.

Ms. Corbiere called 9-1-1, and paramedics and police responded to the scene with the woman being sent to the Mindemoya Hospital.

UCCM Anishnaabe Police responded to the call and issued a breathalyser test on scene. The driver blew within the warn range, between 0.05 and 0.08 mgs, and was given a three-day suspension. No charges have been laid in the incident.

Season's Restaurant is closed for the time being, but is still taking on catering jobs until the foundation is repaired.



A truck drove into Season's Restaurant on Wednesday, August 23 leaving a female who was seated at the table, left, with minor injuries. The restaurant is closed for the time being, but is still taking catering orders.

photos by Kat Corbiere



A UCCM Anishnaabe Police Services officer takes photos of the damaged wall at Season's Restaurant.

## Wiikwemkoong trio charged with trafficking and possession

WIKWEMKOONG—On August 19, the Wikwemikong Tribal Police conducted an investigation into the offence of possession for the purpose of trafficking. As a result of the investigation, the Wikwemikong Tribal Police arrested two males and one female from Wiikwemkoong for possession for the purpose of trafficking and seized a quantity of hydromorphcontin and marijuana along with offences related property.

Police also seized police issued pepper spray. The value of the property seized had an estimated street value of \$4,000.

Charged is a 45-year-old male with two counts possession for the purpose of trafficking a schedule I and II substance; one count possession of schedule II substance; one count possession of property obtained by crime; one count possession of a prohibited weapon; and four counts of breach of recognizance of bail.

A 31-year-old female has also been charged with two counts possession for the purpose of trafficking a schedule I and II substance contrary to s. 5(2) of the Controlled Drug Substance Act (CDSA); one count possession of property obtained by crime contrary; and one count possession of a prohibited weapon.

A 30-year-old female of Wiikwemkoong has also been charged with two counts possession for the purpose of trafficking a schedule I and II substance contrary to s. 5(2) of the Controlled Drug Substance Act (CDSA); one count possession of schedule I substance; one count possession of property obtained by crime; and one count possession of a prohibited weapon.

The 31-year-old female and the 30-year-old female were released on a promise to appear and will attend court in Wiikwemkoong on September 20 to answer to their charges.

The 45-year-old male was remanded into custody and was released from Gore Bay court on August 21.

Anyone with information on this investigation or any other please contact the Sergeant S. Cooper at the Wikwemikong Tribal Police at 859-3141, Provincial Communications Centre at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers 1-800-222-8477.

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by Larry and André Leblanc



### Island AAA skaters ice early season victory!

A sure sign school is just around the corner, preseason hockey is underway for the elite hockey players of the nation, the AAA Minor Bantam Nickel City Sons included a team with Manitoulin Minor Hockey products **Carson Shawanda** of the Wiikwemkoong Thunderbirds, **Sam Assinewai** of the Little Current Flyers and the Mindemoya Thunder's **Liam Bridgeman**, former Manitoulin Panthers all. Using their pre-season nom de guerre Black Attack, the N.C. Sons participated in an early bird tournament this past weekend, the Coffey Cup, at the Toronto Maple Leafs/Marlies practice facility, the Mastercard Centre in Toronto. A 2-0-1 round robin record lead the Sons to first overall, and a semi-final date against a sturdy Mississauga Rebels side. The round robin also saw Liam notch his first AAA goal in his second game, slotting home a beautiful 2 on 1 feed from Sam.

In the semi, the Nickel City "Attack" handled Mississauga with a 4-2 victory, setting up a final against the upstate (N.Y.) Monarchs. The teams were very evenly matched, and the fans were treated to a fast paced, hard hitting, well refereed display of AAA hockey at its finest. As the 1-1 game wound down to what seemed an inevitable overtime session, Carson let a low drive fly from the point that was deftly tipped in by Sam, with a mere 16 seconds remaining, notching the AOK star a team leading 4th, goal and the tournament winner. The AAA minor bantam, Sons are just one of three such teams in the north (along with North Bay and Sault Ste. Marie). The Sons will now settle into a routine of exhibition games and tournaments for their unusual yet exciting season. Way to go boys, keep up the hard and good luck on your season!

### Karate invitations!

**Steven Fox-Radulovich** has returned to his calling, teaching people the ways of karate. Hi classes will be held at the Kagawong Park Centre starting on September 6. The youngest set goes from 6-7 pm while the adults get to try it out from 7-8:30 pm.

The Manitoulin School of Martial Arts is also ready to start their new season. The school consists of several multi-discipline karate programs. The majority of their focus is the Goju Ryu style but also teaches Judo, Escrima (stick fighting), weapons and self-defence.

The school is branching out to a new location this fall and will host its registration as well as first class on Wednesday, September 13 at the Four Directions Complex in Aundek Omni Kaning from 6 to 6:45 for the Little Dragons, 6:45-8 pm for the youth class, the adults get to join the action at 8 pm and they go till 9:15 pm. Everyone is encouraged to wear comfortable clothing and be prepared for: fun, exercise and discipline. Contact **Dan Fletcher** and the school at renshidanf@gmail.com.

### Special weekend!

Congratulations to the Manitoulin Special Olympics who once again hosted the Regional Softball Tournament in Mindemoya. Teams from North Bay, Timmins, Sudbury, Sault Ste. Marie and of course our Manitoulin squads showed the true, definition of playing to the best of their ability and sportsmanship. The fields looked great thanks to **Lew Lanktree** among others who had them in tip top shape. This weekend could not have happened without a vast arsenal of volunteers. Manitoulin thanks all of you for your efforts,

### Fastball finery!

**Lyle Baibomcowai** just continues on his list of accomplishments. Just this past week, Lyle racked up his fourth straight all-Ontario Indigenous title. Playing on the Nawash Sin squad, the expert catcher anchored his side for the four-peat!

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Sean Patrick works with two riders and their horses during a weekend-long clinic held at Honora Bay Riding Stable earlier this month.

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## Honora Bay Riding Stable hosts world renown horse trainer

by Robin Burridge

HONORA BAY—Honora Bay Riding Stable hosted horse trainer Sean Patrick recently bringing in equestrians from across Ontario to learn new and effective horsemanship principals and develop the riders and their horses.

"I train with Sean in the winter down in Florida—he kicks my butt," explained Honora Bay Riding Stable owner Kyla Jansen. "This is his third time up to Manitoulin. He is world renown. We limited the clinic to 10 people, but we had people from all over Ontario who came to work with Sean."

"I actually came to Manitoulin a few times as a child," Mr. Patrick told The Expositor. "I'm originally from Peterborough, but I lived in British Columbia for 12 years, and now Florida."

Mr. Patrick has been working on his horsemanship as a career since 1992, spending over a decade as a high country guide and packer in addition to training ranches, according to Mr. Patrick's biography on his website seanpatricktraining.com.

He has published over 180 equine-related articles in various magazines and is the author of the best-selling training book 'The Modern Horseman's

Countdown to Broke.'

Mr. Patrick is a two-time competitor at the prestigious Road to the Horse event and travels across the US and Canada sharing his passion for horsemanship. He trains and operates his horsemanship school from Pioneer Trail Reserve in New Smyrna Beach, Florida.

Christine McKinnon-Fraser was one of the participants at the clinic with her horse Cedric.

"We have learned a lot," said Ms. McKinnon-Fraser of working with her horse Cedric. "Cedric is new to me so Sean has been working with us on communication and giving me tools and techniques to work with him—Cedric is a bit stubborn. It's been a really great weekend."

Halie Gauthier was also at the clinic, riding Honora Bay Riding Stable horse Karma.

"I've learned so much," said Ms. Gauthier. "It was my first clinic with Sean and it was really beneficial."

To learn more about Sean Patrick, visit seanpatricktraining.com, or for information about Honora Bay Riding Stable, visit hbrstable.com.

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# Green Acres campers rally for injured 'family' member

by Michael Erskine  
SHEGUIANDAH—  
Tragedy is no stranger to the Kearns family, but the operators of Sheguiandah's Green Acres Tent and Trailer Park and Restaurant has become well acquainted with the kindness of both friends and strangers on Manitoulin following a devastating accident that befell their grandson Scott Wheeler when he tumbled 30-feet down a cliff while he was visiting the Missisquoi Lighthouse Park property at Manitoulin's westernmost tip, about 15 km beyond the village of Mel-drum Bay.

"This is the third time for us," said Wade Kearns, who along with his wife Barb has seen more than their share of challenges in recent years. "First there was the windstorm (a microburst that toppled hundreds of trees in the couple's park 10 years ago), then the fire (which totally destroyed the couple's restaurant) and now this, this is the worst of them all," said Mr. Kearns.

In the aftermath of the microburst the couple was amazed at the swarm of volunteers who descended on their park, chainsaws in hand to make short work of the cleanup. When the fire left them struggling, the community held a fundraiser for the couple. "If it hadn't been for the community, we wouldn't be here," recalled Mr. Kearns, his voice filled with emotion. "This community really pulled together for us."

On the weekend, seasonal residents of Green Acres gathered together with a few family friends to hold a fish fry fundraiser for Mr. Kearns' grandson. Their efforts raised over \$4,600 to help defray the medical costs facing the Wheeler family and Scott.

"If this had been a car accident or happened at work, there would be funding available to help deal with these expenses," said Dave Desloges, who along with his fellow camp resident Farrell Cameron organized the event.

"We have known Scott for years when he worked



Green Acres summer residents fry fish as part of a fundraiser recently at the tent and trailer park for the Kearns' grandson Scott Wheeler.

here at his grandparents' restaurant in the summer," said Mr. Desloges. "He is like a member of the family."

"This money is to help with his recovery," said Mr. Cameron, "he is going to be incurring a lot of costs."

"We brought this together in just a couple of weeks," said Mr. Desloges as he looked around in wonder at the large crowd gathering around the fire pits and silent auction tables. "We have a lot of thanks for all the sponsors who donated prizes. No one we approached to help out hesitated for an instant. They were all on board."

Mr. Cameron's brother enlisted his band members in the Sudbury group Cameron's Ceilidh to come and provide entertainment, complete with sound equipment and lighting. As the light of day faded into a stunning sunset, the strains of popular old rock and roll kept the campers dancing.

"We are so grateful for

all of the support and prayers we have received," said Scott's mother Sandra Wheeler. "The people of Manitoulin have been so fantastic."

There is a long road of recovery ahead for Scott Wheeler. Although he was blessedly not paralysed from his injury falling from a cliff onto rocks in the waters of the Missisquoi Strait he was in a coma for some time following the accident and his surgery, which left large incisions on both his front and back, and slicing through the muscles, will require a long recovery time to deal with.

Scott Wheeler turned 28 while he was in a coma, but luckily he is now conscious and starting his way down the road to recovery. "It was a miracle (that he escaped paralysis)," said Ms. Wheeler.

He will soon be moved to a regional hospital in Hamilton, which will help take a huge load off of his parents. "It is about a half-hour, 45-minute drive

photos by Michael Erskine  
away from our home," said Ms. Wheeler.

"The Neil Young song 'Searching for a Heart of Gold' keeps running through my mind," said Mr. Kearns. "If Mr. Young came to Manitoulin, his search would soon be over."



Cameron's Ceilidh performs at the fundraiser.

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# ...Rock festival announced for next July

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val name that incorporates rock and roll? Send us an email with your entry to editor@manitoulin.ca with the subject heading of 'rock concert.' Submissions will be gathered until Friday, September 8 with the lucky win-

ner snagging two free tickets to this inaugural event next July.

Local bands who are interested in competing in the Friday night battle of the bands should contact Mr. Timmermans by emailing him at craig@manitoulin.net.

# ...Salmon Derby wraps second successful year

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derby's end was good for a \$4,000 cheque; third prize winner Martin Connell, whose 21.32-pound salmon collected \$2,500; fourth prize winner Christian Seguin with a 20.24-pound salmon for a \$1,000 cheque; fifth prize winner Ray Beaudry with a 19.31-pound salmon for a \$500 cheque; and sixth prize winner Jeff Haayema whose 18.77-salmon snagged him the Napier Outdoors Sportz Truck Tent.

Members of the Tehkummah Fire Department were on hand cooking up a storm of burgers and dogs to complement the salads, fruit plates and cake that made up the derby prize lunch.

In the midst of the awards marina manager Grant Moggy popped in with a special request. "We have a boater stranded out by the nets in the bay," he said. "Is there anybody here with a boat who can go get them? They are just drifting around out there and have no way of getting back in." In short order a rescue team was assembled and set out to secure the distressed boaters.

The complete list of winners in the Manitoulin Expositor Classic Salmon Derby included: Chris Wdowiak (24.87 - \$12,000); Jesse Cundari (22.43 - \$4,000); Martin Connell (21.32 - \$2,500); Christian Seguin (20.24 - \$1,000); Ray Beaudry (19.31 - \$500); Jeff Haayema (18.77 - Napier Outdoors Sportz Truck Tent 57 series); Rob Spec (18.72); Rob Brydges (18.54); Greg Coker (18.45); Jim Michlouski (18.39); Jordan Williamson (18.24); Mike McLeod (17.91); Brenda Maurice (17.80); Sarah Williamson (17.76); Christian Seguin (17.64); Darci Debassige (17.34); Vincent Daoust (17.25); Brian Hurley (16.90); Noah Coyne (16.84); Sean Leduc (16.83); Morris Misener (16.78);



Art Deyell of Tehkummah, right, was the July 29 winner of the daily catch prize, taking home his \$100 cheque from the awards lunch held at the John Budd Memorial Park pavilion in South Baymouth. Manitoulin Expositor Classic organizer Dave Patterson, left, announced that next year's daily prizes will be larger.

Morris Misener (16.78); Sophia Macfarlane (16.69); Brady Dearing (16.44); and Hugh P. Macdonald (16.34). Top trout catches who won various prizes were: Kevin Hout (20.47); Robert Mackevicius (17.58); Art Deyell (17.16); Gord Dowdall (15.08) and Glen Knechtel (15.01). The Youth category was well represented and the top five winners were Jordan Williamson (18.24); Darci Debassige (17.34); Noah Coyne (16.84); Sophia Macfarlane (16.69); and Nolan Moxom (15.75).

The mystery fish weight winner was Jordan Williamson, who secured the win with a 15.34-pound fish. The mystery weight was 15.35 pounds. "He didn't know it, but Moe Gauthier held onto it for two weeks up until three days ago," said Mr. Patterson. Jordan took home a Broil King smoker courtesy of Jake's Home Centres valued at \$1,000.

Mr. Patterson noted that a survey



Dave Patterson presents Ray Beaudry of Green Bush with his \$500 fifth place winnings.

will be going up online shortly to canvass participants on their thoughts for improvements in the derby. "It will be anonymous, so don't hold back," he said. "Have a look on page 12A for the thank you ad listing all of our sponsors. "We really couldn't have done this without them either."

# ...M'Chigeeng election: Adam Debassige

...continued from page 3 guage)," he said. "It's different because the language was never written and there seems to be a lot of different ways to spell things out—and they are very different than English."

Mr. Debassige served for 16 years on the M'Chigeeng band council from 1977 to 1993 and was deputy chief three times.

His educational background includes business administration from Cambrian College in Sault Ste. Marie and he worked at Indian and Northern Affairs Canada for a year and a half before an opening with the M'Chigeeng band office came up in his home community. He went on to become the chair of Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services, battling for years to build that organization into a successful agency watching out for the best interest of the community's youth and their families.

He also went on to become president of the Ontario Aboriginal Lands Association where he played an instrumental role in establishing a three year credited course that prepared First Nations' lands managers in dealing with lands and land claim issues.

Mr. Debassige has been very active in his community as a volunteer, working

in the M'Chigeeng Minor Hockey Association for 16 years, taking on an Island-wide role as president of Manitoulin Minor Hockey where he established good working relationships with people from communities all across the Island. Connections with other communities are very important, he noted.

"I heard that a former chief had ripped the community eagle feather from the UCCMM staff," he said. "We need to be working together with the tribal council. This is a time for unity and working together. We need to re-establish a working relationship with other First Nations. I want to get that eagle feather

back in the staff."

Mr. Debassige noted that since deciding to let his name stand for the position of chief he has visited nearly every household in the community. "What I am hearing is that there is a lack of information," he said, citing what he characterized as a lack of transparency in such items such as education funding. "Who is getting what?" he asked.

Fundraising in the community is also an issue that he came across in his visits. "We used to raise a lot of money for hockey from bingos," he said. "Now, we have to go begging to a committee to receive any funds."

There is a lot of concern as to where funding is going

and how the band's resources are distributed. "There are a lot of kids off-reserve, a lot of kids with single parents who don't know what is happening, there are a lot of people (band members) in Sudbury," he said. "We should be updating the status of our land claims money, the windmill money, same thing. Where does everything go? Our casino dollars, M'Chigeeng gets its share, where does it go? Who receives it? What is the per capita breakdown?"

Mr. Debassige said that if he were to be elected to the position of chief he would deal with issues at a local level. "You can delegate a

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# ...chief of Northeast Town Fire Department

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The NEMI Fire Department is a volunteer department that provides emergency response services for the land-based portion of the Northeast Town. The department generally has a contingent of up to 18 volunteers and operates out of fire stations located both in the Town of Little Current and the Hamlet of Sheguiandah.



From left, Northeast Town CAO Dave Williamson, newly named Northeast Town Fire Department Chief Duane Deschamps and Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin stand in front of the Northeast Town Fire Department. Mr. Williamson and Mayor MacNevin stopped by the department to congratulate Mr. Deschamps on his new role.

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## Fresh Food Initiative offers composting workshops

by Robin Burrige

ASSIGNACK—The Manitoulin Community Fresh Food Initiative (MCFFI) is hosting a series of composting workshops, partnering with Island municipalities and Noojmowin Teg Health Centre, featuring facilitator Justin Tilson and Shane O'Donnell of the Northern Ontario Permaculture Research Institute.

The workshop is part of a series the MCFFI is putting on across Manitoulin. Earlier this summer, the MCFFI and partners put on workshops with Ted Smith of Gypsy Family Farm on Gardening for Success. There will also be 16 workshops, with four different themes, on cooking what your grow and preserving in the late summer and early fall. As well, there will be a 'Make Your Own Harvest Bag' workshop series with Noojmowin Teg dietitian Julie Rochefort throughout September.

The composting workshops will take place on Tuesday, August 29 at 7 pm in Assignack at the Seniors' Park across from the town office; in Shesheganing across from the health centre on Thursday, August 31 at 2 pm; in Minde-moya at Community Living Manitoulin on Wednesday, September 6 at 6:30 pm; and in Whitefish River First Nation beside the health centre on Thursday, September 7 at 6:30 pm.

The harvest bag workshops will take place: at the Zhibaaahaasing Complex on Monday, September 18 from 4:30 to 7 pm; at the M'Chigeeng Health Centre on Saturday, September 23 from 9 am to 12 pm; Sheguiandah Community Hall on Tuesday, September 26 from 10 am to 2 pm; and Wiikwemkoong's Amikook Centre on Thursday, September 28 from 11 am to 3 pm.

"The MCFFI is driving Manitoulin's local food movement forward by supporting a holistic approach to sourcing locally produced food in sustainable, culturally appropriate and community-driven methods," a press release from MCFFI states.

The MCFFI is working with 11 communities across Man-

itoulin, seven First Nations and four municipalities including Central Manitoulin, Assignack, the Northeast Town and Gore Bay to build community gardens, funded by the Ontario Trillium Foundation. Noojmowin-Teg is the supporting organization of both the Healthy Kids Community Challenge (HKCC) and MCFFI.

Each community garden is unique, but each site will include a garden shed, teach and grow table and NOPRI built the compost units.

Funding has also been secured for four community all-season greenhouses being built by NOPRI, and made possible by the MCFFI and HKCC. Other partners include Whitefish River First Nation Health Centre, Manitoulin Family Resources, Sudbury and District Health Unit and the Child Poverty Task Force, whose HKCC funding was donated to the project.

There will be an opening day celebration for Manitoulin's first community all-season greenhouse on Wednesday, September 20 at the Northeast Town Community Garden on Cockburn West Street in Little Current.

As part of the celebrations there will be greenhouse tours, composting demonstrations, produce bag creations, growing for success sessions with Mr. Smith and community workshops from 2 to 4 pm. Following the workshops there will be a presentation, 'Growing in Northern Ontario: Manitoulin's First All-Season Greenhouse' by NOPRI Chief Science Officer and greenhouse designer Mark Hamalainen and Executive Director Justin Tilson.

There will also be a free gourmet barbecue dinner, highlighting local foods from across Manitoulin (please bring our own feast bag/dish set).

For more information about the greenhouse opening, the composting workshops or harvest bag workshops, contact Kristin Bickell at 705-368-0229, ext. 270 or visit the Facebook page ManitoulinFreshFood.

## ...M'Chigeeng election: Linda Debassige

...continued from page 3 numbers myself. We have managed to secure an additional \$6.8 million in funding, and that is not including the lagoon."

The final stages of phase one of the lagoon project is near, she notes. "We have been fighting for that for 14 years. Now the first phase with a lift station and its associated infrastructure is very close."

Ms. Debassige admits that there was a tremendous learning curve in those past two whirlwind years.

"When I first ran for chief I was certain that I wanted to stay close to home, besides I hate travelling," she admitted. "That might have been possible years ago, but that is not the case now."

The vast number of partnerships the band is involved in to build alternative sources of revenue dictate a very hands-on stance and without a band manager, Ms. Debassige has had to step up to fill that role. "We have been trying to source a candidate for that position," she said, "but it is very difficult. There are so many aspects to the job that require detailed skills

### ...Adam Debassige

...continued from page 9 lot of these out of town meetings to other people and stay focussed on what is happening here on the ground at home," he said.

Mr. Debassige pointed to the current controversy around the membership code as an example of divisive issues that are distracting from the real concerns he has been meeting at the door.

"We need to stand together," he said. "If we put our minds together we can find solutions at the local level to a lot of the challenges in the community. That will lead to the betterment of our children and our future."

because you are dealing with so many different projects."

The band finds itself challenged in meeting "a Cadillac skillset with a Reliant budget." In the meantime, Ms. Debassige has been backfilling the role. "The person who would normally be stepping into the role as an acting manager didn't want the job," she admitted ruefully.

In addition to taking on the band manager role, Ms. Debassige has been acting as a band rep in the child welfare department.

"We have a role to play in child welfare, as does every band, but we have a very small team," she said. "That role requires a lot of travelling as well, as the child might be in Toronto or Sudbury or somewhere else." Maintaining jurisdiction over its children has always been a major concern for M'Chigeeng, she noted. "At the end of the day the idea is to have jurisdiction reside in our own community."

Ms. Debassige went on to point out that "I have people coming to me on a daily basis, bringing me their stories and concerns, trusting me with their information." Honouring that trust

requires a delicate balance. "I take those concerns with me to the local, provincial and federal levels when I am dealing with those issues that impact people's every day lives. My ideas are really the community's ideas, they come from the grassroots. So when I am dealing on a regional or national basis, it is the local concerns that are driving the agenda while I am sitting at the table."

All this takes a toll. "I am a 24/7 chief," she admits. "I have worked 50 to 100 hours every week since I was elected and I haven't taken a vacation. But when people ask me where I draw my strength from, it is the people in the community." When she sees the impact that issues are having on people's lives, her empathy fuels her resolve to find solutions. "I find creative ideas rooted in the ideas of the people," she said.

Being creative is very challenging when dealing with a bureaucracy whose policy books don't deal with modern realities. "They didn't even have a line for dealing with aeration lagoons," she said, her civil engineering background coming to the fore.

Ms. Debassige forecasts that the load will let up

somewhat, however, once the band has a manager in place—something that she admits she is eagerly looking forward to.

In the meantime, shovels are already in the ground for the community's long sought after grocery store and business centre, slated to open in May of 2018. There have been successful negotiations for employment opportunities for band members with Hydro One for brush cutting and the Ministry of Transportation in the coming Highway 540 reconstruction. Ms. Debassige can also point to advances in the construction of badly needed new housing in the community.

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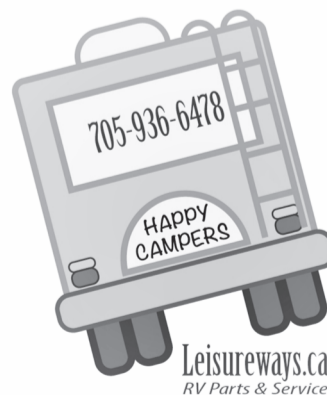
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# ...residential program for addiction rehab

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being client-centered, we want to meet that person where they are and help them with their goals.”

Phase one will be able to accommodate up to 10 clients and will travel to different communities on Manitoulin, with clients living on the land.

The second phase is Live In Aftercare with the clients staying at the Gwekwaadziwin home in AOK. The home has previously been used as a youth group home and also a daycare and has now been renovated to accommodate 11 clients. A portable has also been added to the property for staff and administration.

“The individuals living at the home are focused on their recovery and have chosen to be there,” said Mr. Gilchrist. “They will be working, volunteering or working on their education as part of the program. They will also be meeting with clinicians, learning



The Gwekwaadziwin home Aundeck Omni Kaning will be phase two for those men and women on their journey to recovery.

photo by Robin Burrige

life skills and working on their treatment plans in preparation to integrate back into their communities. Family workshops will also be a regular component of the program.”

Phase three is community aftercare and will look different for each client, but will be about ensuring the individual successfully integrates back into their

lives and communities.

The idea for Gwekwaadziwin was born out of a need seen on Manitoulin and throughout the North. A development steering committee was originally created five years ago and currently consists of UCCMM CEO Hazel Recollet, past UCCMM Tribal Chair Joe Hare, Roger Beaudin of M’Chigeeng

Health Services and Kenjgewin Teg Education Institute Executive Director Stephanie Roy and UCCMM Tribal Chair Chief Patsy Corbiere.

“We worked closely with the developer of the Pine River Institute (which is also a therapeutic program set outdoors) and looked across Canada to bring the best of other programs together, Mr. Gilchrist said. “We were able to take the Pine River model and adapt it to integrate with a cultural program to meet the needs of local communities.”

“The program is a good fit for people with a connection to the outdoors and culture,” concluded Mr. Gilchrist. “It is also a good fit for people whose needs weren’t met by a shorter program.”

If you are interested in learning more about Gwekwaadziwin, contact Mr. Gilchrist at the UCCMM, 705-377-5307 ext.209.

# ...Wikwemkoong man dies in tragedy at building site

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Ms. Deline said that two inspectors with the ministry arrived on scene that day and issued two orders to the company to produce documentation. The following day, on August 22, two inspectors and an engineer returned to the scene and issued a further order

to the homeowner to produce a plan on how to safely remove the damaged trusses.

On August 24, the inspectors returned to the site. As of press time Monday, the two orders for documentation had not been provided to the ministry by the employer, nor has the order from the homeowner.

The deceased has been identified as Carl Peltier of Wikwemkoong. He would have turned 54 today, Wednesday, August 30. His funeral was held at the Holy Cross Mission Church in Wikwemkoong on Friday, August 25.

The investigation into the fatality is ongoing.

# ...Northeast Town joins Billings, Tehkummah in Garlon ban

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“If Hydro says there is a need for it, and they have said it is safe, I don’t see the problem,” said Councillor Skippen.

“I won’t be supporting this,” said Councillor Laurie Cook. “The map shows it being sprayed very close to water sources and it is toxic to aquatic life. We have had lots of rain this summer as well, so I don’t doubt that there would be run off.”

“Chainsaw oil is worse,” Councillor Wood said. “You can’t spray Garlon near water. You need to take a course to use it—it is pretty rigorous training.”

Councillor Cook said that Hydro One “can’t guarantee it is safe. Remember Hydro One also used Agent



Zak Nicholls urges residents in Little Current to sign petitions asking area municipalities to not allow Hydro One to spray Garlon and the province to change the Cosmetic Pesticide Act of 2009.

Orange.”

In a recorded vote, Councillors Marcel Gauthier, Paul Skippen and Bruce Woods voted in favour of

the motion to give Hydro One permission to spray Garlon in the Northeast Town this fall, while Councillors Cook, Erskine, Bill

Koehler, Dawn Orr, Melissa Peters and Mayor Al MacNevin voted against it. The motion was defeated and staff was directed to contact Hydro One and inform them of council’s decision.

The Northeast Town is not the first municipality to say ‘no’ to the use of the herbicide. Billings Township denied Hydro One permission this spring to spray in the municipality and Tehkummah Council carried a motion recently deeming the township a ‘no spray zone’ for herbicides.

There are two petitions currently circulating asking area municipalities to not allow Hydro One to use Garlon in their community and calling on the province to change the Cosmetic Pesticide Act of 2009.

# ...1979 MTO study pondered swing bridge replacement

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the swing bridge will have to be replaced,” the report states.

“The location of the new structure will greatly influence the impact on the Official Plan for the Town of Little Current. The Town, therefore, requested the MTO to prepare a preliminary design report to scan the various alternatives and aid for the orderly planning of the Town.”

It was noted that, in 1977, a traffic study counted 1,750 vehicles crossing the bridge per day, or 263 vehicles per hour. “These figures can be expected to double by the year 2000.”

On May 3, 1979, a meeting was held with then Little Current Mayor John Hodder and council. The following was presented for their consideration by the MTO:

“The present bridge is still sound and adequate for the traffic requirements. The discussion on the possible location of the future structure is to aid the Town in orderly planning. Objectives that were considered imperative, when a replacement bridge structure would one day be built, are the provision of adequate service for a considerable time period, provision for the requirements under the Navigable Waters Protection Act, continued use of the existing bridge during the construction period and technical feasibility.

“Construction in close proximity of the existing bridge is ruled out since wind and currents would make the operation of larger vessels trying to navigate two narrow openings in close succession impossi-

ble.

“To the east of the existing structure, the terrain is still open and any type of structure can be erected.

“Due to the fact that the soils consist of fissured limestone, construction of a tunnel would present technical problems and renders this alternative an unlikely solution.

“The 130 foot-high clearance required for a high level bridge will result in long grades that cannot be handled by trucks at a satisfactory speed. Four-laning will likely have to be considered.

“A movable structure at an elevation that would allow unhampered passage for most of the pleasure craft will likely prove the most acceptable alternative.

“Such a structure can

only be built on the west side of the existing bridge site—passing over the tip of Goat Island and connecting to an existing road allowance on the south shore of the Little Current

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# Following Hope's Path: XVIII

## Hitting the five year mark

**EDITOR'S NOTE**—This is the 18th story in an ongoing series that followed Kagawong's Mary Buie and her brave battle with breast cancer and now her life after cancer. The series chronicled Ms. Buie's journey as she navigated through doctors' appointments, surgery, chemotherapy and recovery as well as exploring the various groups and resources that exist on Manitoulin for women fighting the disease. In 2013, Ms. Buie learned that she was officially cancer free and began to regain her health and energy after recovering from a modified radical mastectomy and undergoing chemotherapy treatment. She is now back to living life to the fullest and sharing her cancer journey with other Island women battling the disease. No stranger to uphill battles, Ms. Buie, an English-trained nurse, pushed emphatically for Ontario to recognize midwifery as a medical discipline and then returned to university to re-qualify as a midwife before founding Manitoulin Midwifery.

**by Robin Burrige**  
KAGAWONG—Mary Buie recently reached the five-year milestone—five years since she was first diagnosed with breast cancer and began her battle.

"I'm doing great," Ms. Buie told The Expositor. "I'm fit, healthy and doing well."

"I had my appointment with my physician, Dr. Nobel, and I thought I would be discharged from his care since it had been five years since I was first diagnosed, but I learned that I will stay with him until I hit 10 years," she added. "I was really happy because once anyone has cancer if you have anything weird going on with your health, you get scared—the threat of cancer is always lurking."

Ms. Buie explained she recently she began having pain in her right forearm

### ...bridge study

...continued from page 11 side. The railway dock (on Goat Island, still much used by lake freighters in 1979) would be interfered with and modifications may have to be carried out.

"The socio-economic impacts on the Town of Little Current for either of the corridors are beyond the scope of this report."

The MTO concluded that construction on either side of the existing bridge is feasible, but that "since the actual construction is far from imminent and many changes may take place in the interim, a detailed study at present is not warranted."

It appears that, almost 40 years later, that detailed study is now due, but members of the current Northeast Town council, which includes Little Current, have much the same concerns as did their 1979 counterparts.



Mary Buie of Kagawong takes a selfie from her garden. Ms. Buie is happy and healthy five years after being diagnosed with breast cancer.

and was concerned.

"After surgery you expect that, but five years later when this started happening I was worried," said Ms. Buie. "Dr. Nobel said it wasn't unusual to get lymphedema later on—it's a side effect from radiation and/or the surgery."

Ms. Buie was referred to a physiotherapist that specializes in lymphedema at the Health Sciences North Cancer Centre.

"I'm also going out to Calgary in September to visit my daughter Jen and she is a physiotherapist so she'll be helping me work on draining the lymphnodes," said Ms. Buie. "I was given a compression sleeve after surgery but only wore it if I was flying or doing heavy work in the garden—I had forgotten about it, but you need to be

really careful to avoid injury or infection."

Ms. Buie is also the captain of the Burns Wharf Theatre Players Run for the Cure team, which is taking place on Sunday, October 1 in Sudbury. "I have been doing the run every year since I was diagnosed," she shared. "It's a lot of fun."

As well, Ms. Buie helps lead the Circle of Hope support group, with the next gathering taking place on Sunday, September 24 at the St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church in Kagawong from 1:30 to 3:30 pm.

"At five years I breathed a big sigh of relief," concluded Ms. Buie. "I did not expect this, lymphedema, but it's reassuring to know that it happens and is actually fairly common."

### ...Mekayla Eppers is Mrs. America

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thought you should know how grateful I am for your love and support this week," Ms. Eppers posted on Facebook. "We have one heck of a year ahead of us."

Ms. Eppers grew up in Elkhart, Indiana with her paternal grandmother, but is a Zhiibaahaasing band member through her maternal grandfather and returns to Manitoulin to visit her mother and brothers.

"She was supposed to come to Manitoulin for a visit in September, but now we will have to wait and see when she can with her schedule," said Ms. Sampson.

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# Providence Bay Discovery Centre holds sandcastle contest

by Robin Burrige  
 PROVIDENCE BAY—The Providence Bay Discovery Centre held a sandcastle building contest last week as part of its great line up of summer activities.

Teams consisted of youth as well as family, all competing for candy and bragging rights.

“We had special events most Thursdays throughout the summer,” said William Scott, Discovery Centre host. “We are giving everyone here today ice cream buckets to use and they have until 3:30 pm (starting at 1) to create their castle.”

There were both local teams and tourists competing, with one family visiting from Toronto.

In the end the winners were ‘King Kastle’ who cre-



Team Manitou—Will, Evelline, Talia and mom Melissa, visiting their cottage on Lake Manitou, headed to Providence Bay for the day to put their sandcastle skills to the test.

photos by Robin Burrige

ated a large sandcastle cityscape on the beach near the mouth of the river. The team consisted of

Ben, age 12 from Providence Bay, Colin, age 11 from McGregor Bay, Kjell, age 7 of Little Current,



Charlotte, age 13 and Genevieve, 9, visiting from Sudbury, of Team Turtle show off their sandcastle building skills.

Turner, age 12 of Little Current and Anika, age 10 of Little Current.

The team received a large bag of candy, but all participants received a treat.



King Kastle created a large sandcastle city, which was named the winners of the Providence Bay Discovery Centre sandcastle building contest. The team consisted of Ben, age 12 from Providence Bay, Colin, age 11 from McGregor Bay, Kjell, age 7 of Little Current, Turner, age 12 of Little Current and Anika, age 10 of Little Current.

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### Rainbow Ringers clean up in the Sault

The Rainbow Ringers horseshoe club in M'Chigeeng took top honours at a tournament in Sault Ste. Marie on Saturday, August 19. First place went to the duo of Cheyanne and Cecile Migwans, second place went to Taylor Debassige and Rocky Taibossigai while third place went to Morris Emery and Ken Migwans (last year's champs with a whopping 150 years of experience between them). The Island tournament is scheduled for September 9 in M'Chigeeng at the club's grounds.



### Low Island Mixed Slo-Pitch Champs

The winners of the 2017 Low Island Mixed Slo-Pitch League were the Gore Babes. The team is, back row, from left, Susy Balogh, Laney Campbell (holding Blair Noble), Max Gervais, Carly Newlands, Deanna Riching, Emily Hudson, front row, Zack Rolston, Jake Bond, Cole Dumond, Chris King, Ricky Toner and Shaun Riching. Missing from the photo is Brenden Pheasant and Marilee Wright.

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# Manitoulin Pet Rescue services extend far beyond rescued strays and helpless abandoned kittens note founders on the organization's second anniversary

MANITOULIN—September 2015 saw the start-up of Manitoulin Pet Rescue (MPR), an organization that is operated by volunteers, is not-for-profit and works to rescue and rehome dogs and cats. The group was started by Holly Scott and Kathy Jewell of Mindemoya as well as Julie McDermid of Spring Bay and, by all accounts, an amazing job has been done to date as 140 dogs and puppies and 95 cats and kittens have been rescued and homes have been found for all of them.

The Expositor spoke to Ms. McDermid recently to get a better idea of how the organization operates and the steps that are taken for rescue.

"A lot of people think that cat and dog rescues are just for the abandoned or stray animals," she said, "but our services are far more in depth than that. We are here for the families that have marriage breakdowns that leave behind perhaps one or several animals that have no place to go, for seniors who are selling their homes and moving into an apartment or perhaps a long term care facility who must sometimes also give up a loved animal because it is not a pet friendly place and also for when a pet owner dies and there is no one able to give the pet or pets a home. We also take in dogs from families that are having behaviour issues with their pet and have finally decided that surrendering them is their only option."

Ms. McDermid also spoke of the dedication of the MPR volunteers saying, "our base is slowly growing and as well, we are seeing more foster families join our rescue. Our fosters are still the lifeline that keeps



Julie McDermid, in photo with some of her canine friends, was one of the founders of Manitoulin Pet Rescue, a not-for-profit run by volunteers to rescue and rehome dogs and cats, but is also so much more.

everything moving, for without them all intake stops immediately. Some of our foster families have very few days or weeks between one foster leaving and the next arriving. We are always truly in awe of these people who are also running very busy lives with jobs and families and yet they still give 100 percent to each of their fosters."

MPR is also extremely grateful for the services of Nancy Milburn of Little Current. Ms. Milburn started her dog training career in the United Kingdom and has trained dogs and their owners for over 30 years. "Nancy is not only available to us for advice," Ms. McDermid said, "but she opened her home up as well to foster some of our more difficult intakes. It is all of these kinds of people that volunteer in so many ways that are helping us to grow and strengthen as an Island

rescue."

One area though, that is of particular concern to MPR and most rescues, is the operation of puppy mills and backyard breeders. As Ms. McDermid explained, because profit is chosen over animal welfare, the animals in these operations typically do not receive proper veterinary care. Animals may seem healthy at first but later show issues like congenital eye and hip defects, parasites or even the deadly parvovirus. "These puppies are for sale on Kijiji, or on social media sites like Buy and Sell. When puppy mills and backyard breeders flood the market with animals, they reduce homes available for animals from reputable establishments, shelters and rescue groups. You can help stop the suffering by being a responsible informed consumer. If you do go to a breeder, make sure it is a reputable one. Adopt from a shelter or breed-specific rescue group near you. Typically, 25 percent of the animals in shelters are purebred."

Ms. Jewell is responsible

for the cats and kittens that are rescued with 42 of these animals coming in so far this year. "Our biggest challenge is finding people to foster cats and kittens," she explained. "Currently, three fosters are doing the bulk of the work and sometimes they need a break. We often get phone calls for feral cats but we cannot take them in as we do not have a place to tame them. We cannot do a neuter, spray and release unless someone is able to provide shelter and food for the feral cat. If people find a tame abandoned cat and we do not have a foster, if they are able to care for the cat themselves until we find a home, that is helpful. Of course, all of our work is dependent upon available funds as we do not receive funding other than donations. People need to know that a female cat can become pregnant while she is still nursing a litter and that the average litter size is five. Many of our cats in the fall are kittens that people could not find a home for when they were little, so they are dropped off at the end of driveways. Responsible pet ownership is the only solution."

MPR has just released the first MPR 2018 rescue calendar. The generosity of Island businesses in sponsoring a calendar month means that all proceeds go directly back to the animals in need. Also, Ms. Scott, who covers all financial matters for the group, will issue tax receipts for donations.

MPR is holding their second annual rescue dinner on September 30 at the community hall in Spring Bay. The event is hosted by Rick and Dianne Zimmerman, owners of Quintina's in Spring Bay and Gore Bay.

For more information, or to join the MPR team, call Ms. McDermid at 705-377-4800, Ms. Jewell at 705-377-4744 or team member Molly Denton at 705-521 4084.



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Manor board Chair Paul Moffatt presents a gift from the board to Sandra Phillips who retired from the long-term care home after 39 years.

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# Mindemoya's Judy Olacke recognized as a Great Canadian

by Michael Erskine  
 MANITOULIN—It is a generally accepted fact that retired teacher Judy Olacke is a pretty special person, in fact most would say she's great, but now she has the fridge to prove it.

Back in May the beer company Molson Canadian announced it would celebrate Canada during its 150th anniversary through a national campaign called 'A Taste Of Who We Are.' That campaign was aimed at rewarding and inspiring the very best of the Canadian character.

Molson Canadian called on Canadians to nominate people whose real life stories demonstrate the best of Canadian character. Out of those thousands of entries, Molson Canadian selected 150 of the best stories and rewarded each of those nominees with a personalized version of the iconic Molson Canadian Red Beer Fridge. Ms. Olacke was one of the nominees and her Canadian Red Beer Fridge arrived this past week.

Nominees were judged on five quintessentially Canadian criteria: connection, breaking down borders and bringing people together; class, holding ourselves to the highest of standards in everything we do; celebration, living with joie de vivre and celebrating the best in life; commitment, the determi-

nation to go to extra lengths. Even when it seems impossible; and contribution: leaving things better than when we found them.

Ms. Olacke demonstrated those values with alacrity.

Her considerable teaching career was focussed on special needs teens and adults and she is renown

on Manitoulin and across the province as a tireless volunteer with the Manitoulin Special Olympics snowshoe athletes. As a coach she has encouraged her charges on the team to great heights, bringing home numerous gold, silver and bronze medals as they represented Manitoulin Island, Ontario and Canada at regional,

provincial, national and world games.

Ms. Olacke's efforts on behalf of her athletes are not limited simply to coaching and athletic tournaments. She was instrumental in designing and building walking, snowshoe and cross country ski trails in her home community of Mindemoya.

When the snow is off the

ground, Ms. Olacke can be found creating, weeding, planting and harvesting in the Manitoulin Community Living gardens.

As her husband Mark Olacke's nomination declares, "she is amazing."

"I am very honoured to receive this recognition," said Ms. Olacke following news that she was selected as one of the 150 Great

Canadians. "My volunteer work with Manitoulin Special Olympics and Community Living Manitoulin has always been a fun and inspiring time."

So about that fridge, is it full?

"Yes," laughs Ms. Olacke, "but not with beer."



Mindemoya's Judy Olacke was selected as one of 150 Great Canadians in the 'A Taste Of Who We Are' campaign run by the Molson Canadian beer company to celebrate Canada's 150th anniversary. Ms. Olacke is photographed here with the personalized version of Molson Canadian's iconic Canadian Red Beer Fridge.

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# Crowds enjoy Assiginack's Annual Deer Show

by Michael Erskine  
 MANITOWANING—The Assiginack Arena in Manitowaning was a bustling hive of activity this past Sunday as hunters and would be hunters joined the curious at the Manitoulin Deer Show to check out the latest in hunting gear, listen to workshops on deer habitat, health and tactics or just gaze in amazement at the majestic racks of antlers on display.

There was something for just about everyone. The Wilderness Challenge spearheaded by Mike Sprack and a hardy herd of volunteers formed part of the day's events. The challenge saw kids walking planks and competing in archery, spear throwing and BB target shooting, as well as identifying animal furs and more. Winners in the age 10-plus category were Chris Hebert, who came in first and Chris White, who placed second. In the age nine and under category, Hunter Sprack came first and Taylor Sprack came in second.

"The lecture series had the venue packed," noted organizer Jackie White, "people loved hearing Mike Phillips talk about trapping, the Northern Boys Outfitters on bear hunting and Texas MacDonald on

was Scott McDougall of Gore Bay.

Prizes galore were going out the door Game Camera contest winner Daniel Marquis took home \$100.

"For deer mounts, hunters did not disappoint," said Ms. White. "Our goal was to get over 100 mounts to tie with 2016 numbers and we did just that. Funnily enough the firearm for the deer mounts was won by Garret Gauthier and the firearm for the door prize was also won by Garret." It was definitely Mr. Gauthier's lucky day.



This young hunter was all smiles at his new bow.

Ron Cooper. They planned for months and were there in full force at the show spearheading different events during the day. Also it could not happen with the countless volunteers that helped run the wilderness challenge, the vendors that came, the sponsors and of course the wonderful attendees that showed their support for the 4th Annual Manitoulin Deer Show.

We are already tweaking and thinking of ways to change it up for next year."



The firearms for sale from area vendors were a popular attraction at the Manitoulin Deer Show.



The lineup of racks was long and impressive at the Manitoulin Deer Show.



Rick Gjos of Sheguiandah peruses the prize table.



Jack Seabrook talks trapping with other interested parties at the Manitoulin Deer Show.

black powder hunting."

The Wild Game Cook off was also a huge success, bringing in double the entries of last year. "I am confident it was because of the generous donation of the camo freezer by Adam Smith of Jake's Home Centres," said Ms. White. The winner of the camo freezer

"I would be totally remiss if I didn't mention that this could not have happened if it wasn't for the Deer Show committee who has been meeting since last year," said Ms. White. "The committee was comprised of Lee Hayden, Steve Wood, Mike Sprack, Peter Craig and

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# Whitefish River First Nation Powwow celebrates resiliency

by Robin Burridge

**WHITEFISH RIVER FIRST NATION**—The Wawaskinaga Annual Traditional Whitefish River First Nation (WRFN) Powwow, held at Sunshine Alley August 19-20, truly held up to its theme ‘We are Resilient.’

Heavy rain on Friday flooded the powwow grounds, making the powwow arena next to impossible to dance in. Thankfully a large truck from the band brought a load of sawdust to the grounds. Numerous volunteers stepped forward to help spread the sawdust across the arena, including dancers, community members, First Nation leaders and even visitors.

Thanks to the strong teamwork, the powwow was able to move forward and grand entry occurred, just a little behind schedule.

The master of ceremonies this year was Dan Fox, while the arena director was Gerry Kaboni. The head elder was Gloria McGregor, while the head veteran was Gerald McGregor. Head dancers included Pierre Debassige and Roberta Oshkabewisens, joined by head youth dancers Carter McGregor and Sierra McGregor.

The host drum was Genaabaajing Jr., while High Eagle was the co-host drum. Other drums included Chi Giizis, Biitaabines and Wizaawgaweg.

Eagle staff carriers included Grand Chief of the Anishinabek Nation Patrick Madahbee, WRFN Chief Shining Turtle, Gerald McGregor, Murray Still and Scott Hoggard.

“I bring greetings from the 40 communities I represent,” said Chief Madahbee. “The theme today is ‘resilience.’ Our people have been through a lot, but we have been resilient and going toward we need to charter our own path. We will need vision and unity.”

Chief Shining Turtle recognized the “young people of the community” who took over planning the powwow this year.

“This year’s planning was off to a rocky start, but our youth came forward and organized the powwow,” said Chief Shining Turtle. “Congrats—you did a great job.”

There were over 60 dancers throughout the weekend. The Wawaskinaga Princess Pageant saw 12-year-old Ava Owl crowned Miss Wawaskinaga, Virginia Debassige crowned Junior Miss Wawaskinaga and five-year-old Lila Garcia named Little Miss Wawaskinaga.



Miss Wawaskinaga 12-year-old Ava Owl, Junior Miss Wawaskinaga Virginia Debassige and Little Miss Wawaskinaga five-year-old Lila Garcia.

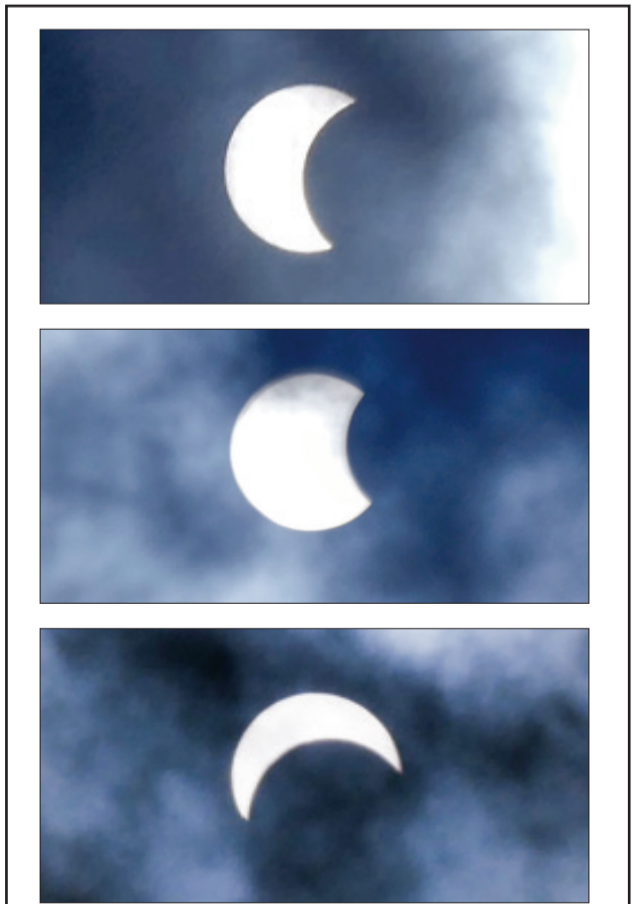


A women’s traditional dancer helps teach a tourist how to dance during an intertribal.

photos by Robin Burridge



A jingle dress dancer makes her way around the powwow arena, dancing to the beat of the drum.



**Solar eclipse**

Photographer John Savage captured the solar eclipse from his Bay Estates home on Monday, August 21.

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52-20p

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6-15c

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13-15p

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14-15p

**"Teen Challenge"** on Sunday, September 10 at 10:30 am at Manitoulin Community Church in Tehkummah. This is a group of young men sharing their history of drug addiction and their attempts to overcome it. Free-will offering taken to support Teen Challenge program. For more information call 705-859-3384.

14-16p

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- Efficient and organized, able to handle multiple tasks
- Knowledge of service areas and geography
- Experience with AS400 and Excel an asset
- Knowledge of operations in relation to freight movement an asset

In exchange for your efforts, we offer an attractive wage including profit sharing and a comprehensive Benefits Package.

Please forward your resume in confidence to Tamey McAllister at tmcallister@monarchr.ca



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[www.manitoulintransport.com](http://www.manitoulintransport.com)

For more than 55 years, Manitoulin Transport has been providing comprehensive transportation and logistics solutions for clients across North America. Our success lies in our innovation and safety, and our dedication to reliable, on-time delivery. So if you know where you're headed, we have the training and career development to help you get there. Currently we have various administrative opportunities right here on picturesque Manitoulin Island in our Head Office in Gore Bay.

#### Your duties will include:

- Working on the computer for a large portion of the day
- Talking to internal or external customers/suppliers on the phone
- Working as part of a team with many different departments to ensure our pick up and delivery service to our customers is outstanding
- If you have extensive EXCEL knowledge please indicate that in your cover letter as there are some positions that require that type of knowledge

If you are hardworking, pay good attention to detail, are able to set priorities and meet tight deadlines then you might be a good fit for our **Gore Bay Head Office Team**.

In exchange for your efforts, we offer an attractive wage including profit sharing and a comprehensive Benefits Package.

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### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY United Chiefs and Councils of Mniidoo Mnisig Program Worker Indigenous Re-integration and Supportive Services

Position Status: Full-time permanent Reports to: Justice Manager, UCCMM Tribal Council

#### Project Objective

The Indigenous Re-integration Supportive Services Program worker will provide support to the Youth Probation Officer with respect to Indigenous youth aged 12-17, at the time of the offence, who have been found guilty and are currently on probation, conditional supervision or community supervision. Through this program, services will be provided to youth from the six UCCMM member First Nations, Wikwemikong and the off-reserve First Nation population in the District of Manitoulin.

#### Responsibilities:

- Meet regularly with the Youth Probation Officer (Manitoulin Youth Justice Services) and the Justice Manager (UCCMM Tribal Council) and other stakeholders to discuss individual clients, cases, community supervision plans, evaluation of progress and develop treatments plans for youth
- Work closely with home communities of youth clients in developing re-integration plans, case management conferences, and ensuring all potential community supports are secured before discharge
- Liaise with community service providers (i.e. Elders, Social Service and Health Service providers, cultural programs, youth programs, UCCMM Justice Program) to identify resources for youth to assist him/her while on Probation
- Develop community profiles which highlight existing supports and resources, gaps and plans to develop programs and services for youth
- Maintain client files, database, and quarterly financial, activity and statistical reports
- Follow all monitoring directives as laid out in the service contract
- Maintain strict confidentiality of client identity and information at all times
- Develop an evaluation tool to solicit feedback from Youth Justice Services, and resources utilized within the seven First Nation communities and justice stakeholders (UCCM Anishinabe Police, Wikwemikong Tribal Police, Manitoulin OPP, Courts, and service agencies, etc.)
- Provide the following supports to youth, as referred by the Youth Probation Officer: Mentorship, Anger Management, Community Service Hours, School Support, Re-integration Support
- Participate in the Youth Service Providers' Network
- Attend and participate in activities and programming related to the UCCMM Justice Program
- Other related duties

#### Requirements:

- A minimum College Diploma in Child & Youth Worker, Social Services Worker, or Addictions Programs
- A minimum of one year experience working with First Nation youth and families in social services or justice
- Experience working with a Community Justice Program in Ontario
- Willingness to support Anishinabe red road teachings, promotion of positive role models and healthy lifestyles
- Knowledge of First Nation programming and services
- Excellent communication skills – written and verbal
- Available to work evenings and weekends as required
- Must possess a valid driver's license, have access to a vehicle and able to travel.
- Demonstrated knowledge of Anishinabek, language, customs, traditions, ceremonies, treaties and history.

Annual Salary: \$42,000.00

Closing Date: September 15, 2017- Noon

To Apply: Mail or deliver a complete package and a current Criminal Reference Check and Vulnerable Sector Screening (dated within the last 30 days). A complete package includes application letter, resume and three recent written work related reference letters (dated within the past six months). Incomplete and emailed packages will not be accepted.

Mark "Confidential" to: United Chiefs and Councils of Mniidoo Mnisig

Attention: Hazel Recollet, CEO  
P.O. Box 275 M'Chigeeng, ON POP 1G0  
Contact Info: Phone (705) 377-5307 ext 201



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 34 Henry Street, Wikwemikong, ON P0P 1J0  
 P: 705-859-3834 | F: 705-859-3787  
 wbe-education.ca

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

**Position: Finance/Admin. Assistant**  
**Location: Wikwemikong Board of Education @ 7.5 hours a day**  
**Salary Range: Based on Funding Proposal**  
**Start Date: September 2017 to March 2018**

Under the direct supervision of the Financial Controller/Manager, Education Director and the Wikwemikong Board of Education, the successful applicant will perform the following duties and responsibilities:

**RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Work closely with the Finance Manager to ensure smooth operation of all finance matters
- Support the Finance Manager by inputting accounting data into the accounting system with speed and accuracy
- Assist with matching invoices to statements and purchase orders to invoices
- Assist in the production of financial statements and applications, preparation of spreadsheets, reports and correspondence as required.
- Plan, organize and manage own workload to ensure contribution to the monthly financial reporting process is achieved in a timely and accurate manner
- Assist with the swift payment of invoices
- Assist with the resolution of finance related queries
- Assist with end of year procedures
- Answer the door, direct clients to the appropriate office(s), distribute incoming and outgoing faxes
- Answer phone, take messages, direct incoming calls to the right department/person
- Assist with photocopying and filing as needed
- Mail run
- Provide support to team members

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Must be between the age of 15 and 30 at the start of employment
- Students enrolled in the Business Administration – Accounting program is preferred
- The ability to speak/understand the Ojibwe language is an asset
- 3 Letters of reference on letterhead
- Must submit a current (original) criminal/vulnerable reference check (within the last 90 days)
- Must have access to own vehicle

Direct applications to:  
 Maureen Aiabens, Financial Controller/Manager  
 34 Henry Street  
 Wikwemikong, ON P0P 2J0  
 Email: maiabens@wbe-education.ca  
 Tel: (705) 859-3834 Fax: (705) 859-3787

**DEADLINE: Friday, September 8, 2017 at 2 p.m.**  
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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

**POSITION: Finance Assistant (3 month contract)**  
**SALARY: According to WBE Salary Grid**  
**START DATE: Immediate**

Under the direct supervision of the Financial Controller/Manager, Education Director and the Wikwemikong Board of Education, the successful applicant will perform the following duties and responsibilities:

- Apply accounting and bookkeeping principles and procedures
- Review records and documents relating to payments, receipts and other financial transactions and make the necessary adjustments
- Preparation of post-secondary payments utilizing the Direct Deposit
- Undertake other clerical and administrative duties as required.
- Prepare and record outgoing vendor payments (mail system).
- Prepare and complete outgoing mail or fax (i.e. purchase orders along w/tax exempt forms).
- Assist education support staff in matters of finance (i.e. providing vendor or student reports or any relating up-to-date reports).
- Ensure that all financial records are filed properly and up-to-date.
- Assist the Payroll/Finance Officer in processing payroll when necessary
- Assist in the preparation of financial information summaries for monthly reports and also year-end audit information requirements.
- Assist Finance Manager and other agencies with financial matters


**QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Grade 12 or college graduate in the business field and/or demonstrated work experience.
- Strong organizational skills and working knowledge of up-to-date software applications including but not limited to ACCPAC Software, MS Word, Excel spreadsheets, E-mail, and Internet.
- Ability to work independently with minimal supervision and as a team player.
- Fluency in Anishinabe, knowledge and appreciation of First Nations culture and heritage are considered definite assets.
- Provide 3 current letters of work-related references on letterhead
- Must submit a current (original) criminal/vulnerable sector reference check (within the last 90 days)
- TB Mantoux test (formal Medical Form/Letter from Family Doctor) within the last 90 days.

**CLOSING DATE: Friday, September 8, 2017 at 2 p.m.**

**DIRECT APPLICATIONS TO:**  
 Education Director  
 34 Henry Street  
 Wikwemikong, ON P0P 2J0  
 Email: awemigwans@wbe-education.ca  
 Tel: (705) 859-3834 Fax: (705) 859-3787

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## Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services (KGCFs) Employment Opportunity

KGCFs is a designated Children's Aid Society delivering Child Protection Services within seven member First Nations in the Districts of Sudbury and Manitoulin. KGCFs honours and supports our families' and community's inherent authority to care for their children based on unity, traditions, values, beliefs and customs.

**CHILD WELL-BEING WORKERS (CWBW)**  
**FULL TIME- PERMANENT POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

The CWBW provide for the safety and well-being of children in accordance with KGCFs policies and procedures and Ministry Standards. The CWBW will work collaboratively with all KGCFs resources, biological and foster parents, extended family and First Nation communities to ensure that our children are protected and stay connected with their culture, language, and community while strengthening family and community relationships.

**AFTER HOURS WORKERS (AHW)**  
**PART TIME- PERMANENT POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

The AHW provide emergency response for child & family and foster care services during weeknights, weekends, and holidays outside the agency's regular office hours. Provides for the safety and well-being of children in accordance with KGCFs policies and procedures and Ministry Standards.  
 Note: The hourly call-out rate is \$31.19 and a standard weekly stand-by-rate.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**  
 For both Child Well Being Worker and After Hours Worker:

- Must possess an accredited college diploma in a related field of study. Preference is a Bachelor of Social Work Honors Degree or one in a related field of study.
- At least two (2) years of work experience in the delivery of direct, frontline, social service programming targeting children, youth and families, preferably within an Anishinaabe community/organization.

*Applicants with less than the required work experience may be considered on an under-fill basis.*

- Experience in an Aboriginal social service agency is an asset.
- Ability to speak Anishnaabemowin is a definite asset.


**THIS IS AN ONGOING POOLED RECRUITMENT POSTING, YOUR APPLICATION WILL REMAIN ON FILE FOR 6 MONTHS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION.**

Please visit our website at [www.kgcf.org/employment](http://www.kgcf.org/employment) to review the full job description. KGCFs offers competitive wages, an excellent benefit package and pension plan.

Please submit a cover letter, resume and three reference letters (two employment related from recent employers) to:

Attention Human Resources: CWBW and AHW Competition  
 Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services  
 Main Office - 98 Pottawatomi Avenue,  
 Wikwemikong, Ontario P0P 2J0  
 By Fax: 705-859-2195 By Email: [hr@kgcf.org](mailto:hr@kgcf.org)

*KGCFs services are based on a highly specialized approach to the delivery of child welfare in our area, preference will be given to Indigenous/Anishinabek candidates (please self-identify).  
 Miigweetch for your application however only we will only be contacting those candidates selected for an interview. Successful candidates as a condition of employment will be required to submit the following: satisfactory Criminal Reference Check & Vulnerable Sector Check, Driver's Abstract and a Valid G Driver's License.*



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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

### School Bus Driver

Under the direct supervision of the Education Director and general direction of the Wikwemikong Board of Education.

**RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- To transport children to and from school as determined by the Board.
- To transport children to and from activity locations as determined by the Board.
- To maintain proper order and discipline on the bus.
- Maintain a daily report of activities via daybook.
- To perform all busing duties and other duties as required.
- Maintain bus records for maintenance.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Possess a driver's license issued by the Ministry of Transportation valid for the operation of the vehicle-type to be driven (72 passenger bus) B certification.
- Maintain an acceptable driving record in accordance with Board policy.
- File all reports as may be required by the WUIR and those adopted by the Wikwemikong Board of Education.
- Perform daily, pre-trip vehicle inspections of the school bus, record the results of the inspection, and file a written report of any abnormalities on maintenance of the bus.
- Complete and submit Incident Report Forms as needed to the appropriate authorities (e.g. Principal)
- Attend and participate in annual in-service instruction for school bus.
- Participate in conducting school bus emergency evacuation drills as required.
- Conform to all rules and policies adopted by the Board of Education.
- Knowledge and appreciation of Anishinabe culture, language, and heritage are considered definite assets.
- Present the results of a biennial physical examination to the Board.
- Provide three (3) current work-related references on letterhead (within the last 90 days).
- Original criminal/vulnerable sector reference check; within the last 90 days.
- Original TB Mantoux test.
- Conform to all required qualifications.

**Direct applications to:**  
 Education Director  
 Wikwemikong Board of Education  
 34 Henry Street  
 Wikwemikong ON P0P 2J0  
 Tel: 705-859-3834 Fax: 705-859-3787

**DEADLINE: September 8, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.**  
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## Stadnyk Jeeves Medicine Professional Corporation

SJMPC is looking to fill the following position:  
**Receptionist**  
**Full Time Position**

The successful candidate will be required to:

**Position Summary:**

- Exercise excellent judgment to ensure best practices for confidentiality are maintained at all times within a healthcare setting.
- Provide excellent public relations while performing a variety of clerical duties that include but are not limited to the following; manage telephone calls and patient concerns, coordinate communications amongst all health care providers, team members, patients, families, community resources and agencies and booking appropriate appointments with health care providers.
- Provide high degree of accuracy for data input within an electronic medical record
- Provide efficient and effective team support within a busy clinical environment

**Qualifications**

- Two to five year's office experience; preferably in health care setting
- Competent computer skills
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills
- Experience with a multi-line telephone system
- Excellent organizational skills and ability to multi-task
- Strong problem solving and analytical skills
- Satisfactory criminal reference check
- Experience with Electronic Medical Records is an asset

**Please submit resume to:**

Stadnyk Jeeves Medicine Professional Corporation  
 P.O. Box 150, Mindemoya, Ontario  
 POP 1S0  
 Attn: Lori Oswald  
 Fax: 1-705-377-4320 • Email: mindemoyaclinic@amtelecom.net

Please reply in writing no later than **4:00pm, August 31, 2017.**  
 \*Only those selected for an interview will be contacted\*

Form 6  
Municipal Act, 2001

### SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER

Municipality of Central Manitoulin

**Take Notice** that tenders are invited for the purchase of the lands described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on September 13, 2017, at the Central Manitoulin Municipal Office, 6020 Highway 542, Mindemoya Ontario.

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day as soon as possible after 3:00 p.m. at the Central Manitoulin Council Chamber, 6020 Highway 542, Mindemoya.

**DESCRIPTION OF LANDS:**

Roll No. 51 04 010 001 50500 0000; PIN 47112-0271(LT); Lot 16 Concession 8 Campbell; Central Manitoulin; File No. 16-01  
**Minimum Tender Amount: \$7,690.01**

Roll No. 51 04 010 001 68300 0000; 851 Beaver Rd., Spring Bay; PIN 47113-0366(LT); Part Lot 11 Concession 13 Campbell as in RM68819; Central Manitoulin; File No. 16-03  
**Minimum Tender Amount: \$11,773.97**

Roll No. 51 04 010 001 76000 0000; PIN 47113-0325(LT); Part Lot 11 Concession 12 Campbell as in RM68819; Central Manitoulin; File No. 16-04  
**Minimum Tender Amount: \$6,022.14**

Roll No. 51 04 030 002 03900 0000; PIN 47129-0175(LT); Part Lot 16 Concession 2 Sandfield designated Part 8 Plan RR49 T/W T24249; S/T executions 80-0000294, 82-0000520, 83-0000642, 85-0000787, if enforceable; Central Manitoulin; File No. 16-12  
**Minimum Tender Amount: \$4,883.24**

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit in the form of a money order or of a bank draft or cheque certified by a bank or trust corporation payable to the municipality and representing at least 20 per cent of the tender amount.

**Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to, crown interests, road access or any other matters relating to the lands to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers.**

This sale is governed by the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes, HST if applicable and the relevant land transfer tax.

The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser. For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender, visit:  
[www.OntarioTaxSales.ca](http://www.OntarioTaxSales.ca)  
 or if no internet access available, contact:  
 Ruth Frawley  
 CAO/Clerk  
 Municipality of Central Manitoulin  
 P.O. Box 187  
 6020 Highway 542  
 Mindemoya ON POP 1S0  
 (705) 377-5726

## Join our Team!

**MNIS IDA PHARMACY**  
 We are looking for a:

**Pharmacy Assistant**  
 &  
**Front Shop Clerk**

Drop off your resume at  
 2098 E Wikwemikong Way,  
 Wikwemikong, Ontario  
 Call: (705) 859-2866



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### Manitoulin Family Resources Child Care Supervisor

Manitoulin Family Resources requires a **Permanent Full Time Supervisor**. This position will be responsible for the day to day operations of Manitoulin Family Resources' Child Care Centre in Little Current (Toddler, Preschool, Before and After school Program) and in Mindemoya (Before and After school Program).

**The Successful candidate must have:**

- 2 year diploma in Early Childhood Education or equivalent.
- Be registered and in good standing with the College of ECE's (Registered Early Childhood Educator).
- Management experience in a child care setting working with a variety of age groups is considered an asset.
- Strong understanding of current theories (including How Does Learning Happen?, ELECT and Think, Feel, Act), governing agencies requirements, CCEYA, Public Health and Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice in the Early Learning community.
- Proficiency with MS Office Suites including MS Word and Excel.
- Strong relationship development skills with the ability to build and maintain both formal and informal networks.
- Sound judgment and decision-making skills with the ability to effectively administer/reinforce policies as appropriate.
- Strong problem solving skills with the ability to analyze and diagnose the issues reaching a suitable solution.
- Ability to work in stressful situations with the ability to respond to changes and fluctuating demands with shifting deadlines.
- Strong written/communication skills with the ability to clearly articulate directions, concepts and information.
- Experience and understanding of working efficiently in a diverse environment.
- Current Driver's license and access to a reliable vehicle.

Note: The successful candidate must have valid First Aid and CPR certification, up to date medical including immunizations and a clear vulnerable sector screening check. This position has physical requirements such as lifting and physical play with young children.

This position is a permanent full time management position in a unionized environment. Flexibility in scheduling will be required to meet the needs of the centres.

**Please send resume and cover letter to Denise Leblanc:**

Email: dleblanc@mresources.net  
 Fax: 705 377-4863  
 Mail: Manitoulin Family Resources  
 P.O. Box 181  
 Mindemoya, ON POP 1S0



**AZ driver looking for year round work.** Experience in flatbed, live bottom, tri-pony, end dump. Call 226-201-0662.

13-16c



**NOTICE, Notice!** Date changed for MHC Auxiliary meeting. It will be held Tuesday, September 12 at 7 pm, upstairs boardroom in Little Current Hospital. Everyone welcome!

15-16c

**Private classified word ads**, like this, are \$8 for up to 25 words and 10 cents for every additional word, per week, plus HST. Pre-payment (VISA, MasterCard, cheque or cash) is required. Private sales only. Call 705-368-2744 to book your ad.

**Passport photos** are taken Monday to Friday from 9 am to 4:30 pm at the Expositor Office. \$20.50 including tax. **No appointment necessary.** 705-368-2744.

**Deadline** for text ads, like this, as well as boxed ads is Friday at 4 pm.

**The Expositor Office** can meet your various printing needs: wedding invitations, invoices, letterhead, business cards, rubber stamps, envelopes. Call 705-368-2744, ask for Dave.

**The Cutoff for Boxed Display Ads is Friday**

### MANITOULIN LEGAL CLINIC A non-profit community legal clinic funded by Legal Aid Ontario

#### NOTICE Annual General Meeting and Board Election

Our Annual General Meeting will be held at the Clinic Office, 12A Hillside Road, Aundeck Omni-Kaning, on Tuesday, September 26th at 6:00 pm. The purpose of the meeting is to elect a new Board of Directors. Anyone interested in the aims and objectives of the Clinic, and who would like to vote at the Meeting must complete a membership form (available at the Clinic) and return it to the Clinic by September 25, 2017 at 4:00 pm.

Community members interested in becoming Board members, and who are prepared to commit to attending monthly Board meetings, are encouraged to contact the Clinic during office hours at 705-368-3333, before September 25, 2017.

Michael Shain  
 Executive Director



**MANITOULIN PLANNING BOARD**  
 40 WATER STREET - UNIT 1 - P.O. BOX 240 - GORE BAY - ONTARIO - POP 1H0  
 ☎ 705-282-2237 📠 705-282-3142

#### NOTICE IF YOU PLAN ON BUYING, IMPROVING OR CHANGING THE USE OF A LOT IN THE TOWNSHIPS OF ROBINSON OR DAWSON

**This Notice Affects You.**

**ZONING BY-LAW NO. 96-01** is in effect for the Townships of Robinson and Dawson, and all development must conform to this By-law.

**SECTION 48 OF THE PLANNING ACT** prevents any Ministry of Government or public agency from issuing permits or approvals unless a Letter of Conformity from the Secretary-Treasurer of the Manitoulin Planning Board has been issued confirming that the proposed building or land use conforms to the Zoning By-law in effect.

**SECTIONS 13 AND 13(A) OF ZONING BY-LAW NO 96-01** prohibits the erection, location, or use of any mobile home, car, van, truck, bus, coach, railway car, caboose, or streetcar body or parts thereof as a principal use or accessory use in any zone in the Townships of Dawson or Robinson.

**UNDER SECTION 67 OF THE PLANNING ACT** any person who violates the Zoning By-law in effect may be liable to a fine of up to \$25,000.

**BEFORE YOU BUY, IMPROVE OR CHANGE THE USE OF A LOT** verify that your proposal conforms with Zoning By-law No. 96-01. Application forms for Letters of Conformity as well as Zoning By-law No. 96-01 are available on our website at [www.manitoulinplanning.ca/index.php/downloads](http://www.manitoulinplanning.ca/index.php/downloads)

**For more information, contact Manitoulin Planning Board**  
 40 Water Street Unit 1, PO Box 240,  
 Gore Bay, ON, POP 1H0  
 Telephone: 705-282-2237 Email: mpbcarlisle@bellnet.ca



# Providence Bay Agriculture Fair celebrates 134th anniversary

by Tom Sasvari with files from Alicia McCutcheon

PROVIDENCE BAY—The annual Providence Bay Fall Fair is a staple a must see and take part in event as there is to be found on Manitoulin Island and one that this is eagerly anticipated by both local residents and visitors alike.

"Good evening and welcome to the 134th annual Providence Bay Agricultural Society Fall Fair," stated Norm Morrell, master of ceremonies at the opening ceremonies held in the local arena on Friday, August 18. "To have an event like this celebrating its 134th consecutive year taking place is quite a tribute to the community and its residents."

"I would like to welcome everyone here tonight," said Richard Stephens, mayor of the Municipality of Central Manitoulin. He said the fair always provides a good time for everyone who takes part and continues to be a success because of all the hard work done by the Providence Bay Agricultural Society Fair Board and volunteers.

District 12 representative for the Ontario Fall Fair Association (OFFA) Debbie Kirby said, "it's so nice to be nice to be here again this year." She brought greetings from the OFFA and District 12. "You have a wonderful board of directors, members and the community, volunteers and families all join together to make this fair such a great event."

Angela Johnston, representing the fair board, presented the Fair Junior King and Queen awards to Teiran Noble-Stone and Autumn Davy.

Jack White, president of the fall fair board, then welcomed everyone to the fair. He thanked all the fair board members, volunteers, associate director, volunteers and sponsors for all

their support, dedication and effort. "This is a great team to work with."

Mr. White presented several very special awards, including a Meritorious Service to Youth Award to Karlene Scott and Meritorious Service Awards to Merlin and Christine Lewis and a supporting board volunteer John White. Another set of awards sponsored by the federal government were presented to long time fair sponsors Elwin Shaw, Barry Williamson of D.A. Williamson's and Sons and Mindemoya Home Hardware.

After the official opening, Karlene Scott welcomed everyone to the Fair Ambassador Pageant. She provided a history of the pageant and noted that this year, "we are delighted to have four lovely young ladies participating in the pageant tonight." The contestants included Megan Misner, Alicia Williamson, Delaney Madore and Michelle Campbell.

Each contestant presented a speech and then, later in the evening, the judges selected their choice of the winners of the pageant. Chosen as Ambassador of the Fair was Michelle Campbell of Mindemoya with Alicia Williamson of Little Current selected as the First Princess and Miss Congeniality.

The evening also included a pie-eating contest, a light horse show and viewing of the many creative and colourful exhibits in the exhibit hall.

Events held on a busy Saturday included a pancake breakfast held at the United Church, the midway by Albion Amusements, Reptilia Educational Reptile Zoo, The Stylamanders interactive music family show, judging of livestock and a live animal display, Glendale Petting Zoo, live entertainment by the Youngstown Band, children's races, face painting

and a heavy draft horse pull. In the latter, Kevin Gilbert was first with his team of horses, with Gerald Webkamigad second and Jerome Pheasant third.

The best light horse team division saw Katie Cyr and her team in first (a full pull of 5,750 lbs.), Jon Graham second (2'6" 5,750 lbs.) and Brendan Gilbert (driving his grandfather's team in his first ever event), third (16'3" 4,500 lbs.). There were three generations of the Gilbert family who took park in the horse pull event. The Katie Cyr team was judged as best dressed team, best teamster was Clifford George.

In the heavy pull, Kevin Gilbert won first with a full pull of 8,000 lbs.; second was Jerome Webkamigad with a 13' pull of 8,000 lbs.; and third was Jerome Pheasant with a 6' pull of 6,500 lbs.

The pull was dedicated to the memory of beloved teamster the late Chicken George of Wiikwemkoong, with a moment of silence held in his memory before the start of the pull.

In the single pull, Kevin Gilbert pulled 4,500 lbs. two feet with his 1,635 lb. horse Ben followed by second, Jon Graham with a 4,500 lb. pull

of 6' with his 1,670 lb. horse Snap; and third, Lisa Gilbert with her 12'3" 3,750 lb. pull with horse Peanut, weighing in at 1,525 lbs.

The heavy horse single pull was won by Brendan Gilbert and Sam (1,710 lbs.) with their 14' pull of 4,500 lbs.; second, Blaine Gilbert and Dan (1,745 lbs.) with their 10:10" pull of 4,500 lbs.; and third, Zach with his horse Belle (1,730 lbs.) and their 4,500 lb. pull of 2'4". It is interesting to note that the lightest heavy horse, Sam, pulled the heaviest weight.

Of course, what would a fair be without a parade and Saturday's morning's display was phenomenal.

Some of the results from the different categories included: Individual Theme in first were The Duxbury Family, with the Dewar family coming second and third the Nadorozny Family; Best Decorated All terrain or Miniature Float, went to the golf cart of Don and Pat Burke, the Canada 150 float prize went to the Dewars and Lewis; the Antique Motorized Vehicle category was won by Rob and Gloria Sandercott in a 1968 Mustang; Most

Innovative and Attractive Float went to O Canada, by Commercial Sound and Lighting's Ben McKenzie; Children Participants went to Jennifer and Chris McGowan for Balloon Animals; Miniature Fire Truck went to Natalie French; Decorated Bicycle saw Sebastien French first, Theo French second and Spencer Johnston third; and Best Walking Group went to the Future Jr. Volunteer Department.

Other winners at the Providence Bay Fair included Carol Robertson of Gore Bay, who won the quilt; Lenora Tann, winner of the Lazy Susan table; Gordon

Kay, winner of the wall hanging; and Joan Sagle, winner of the Youngstown band CD.

A family tug of war and relay race was held in the evening which also featured the Manitoulin's Got Talent Show.

On Sunday motocross sanctioned by the Canadian Motosport Racing Corporation was held at the track, a family paper boat race, turtle races, family round bale push, quilt raffle draw, family fun winners and much, much more.

**† in memoriam**  
**TOWNSEND**--In loving memory of Marilyn J. Townsend, May 17, 1953 to September 1, 2012. The depths of sorrow we cannot tell, Of the loss of one we loved so well. And while she sleeps a peaceful sleep, Her memory we shall always keep.  
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### CARL JAMES ISAIAH (MANDY) PELTIER

In loving memory of Carl James Isaiah (Mandy) Peltier, born on August 30, 1963, who started his Journey to the Spirit World on August 21, 2017. Loving partner of Faye Corbiere and cherished father of Keasha (Nathan), Jackilene, Ethan, Corey and Tanya. Proud grandfather of Cameron and Serenity Lynn, Jlyn, Conan, Shayla, Lillie, Aiden and Kyla. Son of Isaiah and Lena Peltier (predeceased). Dear brother of Joyce (husband Dennis), Gail (husband Ronald), George (friend Darlene), Eugene (friend Amanda), Carol (friend Wesley), Victoria (friend Christine) and Henry. Forever in the hearts of his nieces and nephews; Logan (Genevieve), Dustin (Lisa), Tammy (Dana), Dwayne (Brenda), Stacey (Fabian), Meiyette, Jewel (Paul), Elliot, Jason (Amy), Abby (John) and his great-nieces and nephews (Mason, Animkee, Alexandrine, Teyla, Arianna, Gabriella, Raiden, Shaley and Xavier). Carl loved visiting and playing with his children and grandchildren. He was a grandfather, father, brother, uncle, cousin and friend to so many. Godson to Patrick Wabegijig (predeceased) and Dorothy Recollet. He'll be remembered as a hard worker and someone who always liked to laugh and was always there to lend a helping hand. He enjoyed walks in the bush, playing pool, horseshoes, watching hockey and working. He spent 10 years working for the Wikwemikong Nursing Home, two years as a home-care provider for Amikook, and his handiwork can be seen all around the community of Wikwemkoong as he also worked for Wikwemikong Housing for 25 years. He'll be dearly missed by everyone who got to know him. Family and friends gathered at St. Ignatius Church in Buzwah on Wednesday, August 23, 2017 at 6 pm. Funeral Service took place at Holy Cross Mission Church in Wikwemikong on Friday, August 25, 2017 at 11 am, followed by burial in the Wikwemikong Upper Cemetery.

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Memorial donations are gratefully appreciated and can be made at the admitting office to the auxiliaries of the Manitoulin Health Centre and the Renovation Fund in both Mindemoya and Little Current and the Gore Bay Manitoulin Lodge Auxiliary Incorporated, 3 Main Street, Gore Bay, Ontario, P0P 1H0 and the Manitoulin Centennial Manor Auxiliary, Postal Bag 460, 10 Robinson Street, Little Current, Ontario, P0P 1K0. Donations can also be made to the Manitoulin District Cenotaph Fund, Box 656, Little Current, Ontario P0P 1K0 or Pet Save Manitoulin, Box 393, Gore Bay, Ontario P0P 1H0.

### VARLEY JOHN VANHORNE



Varley John VanHorne, a resident of Mindemoya, died peacefully at Manitoulin Centennial Manor, on Friday, August 25, 2017 at the age of 97. Born to Elizabeth (nee Cooper) and William VanHorne, at Mindemoya, on June 16, 1920. Survived by beloved wife Repha VanHorne, daughter Diane Melville and son Perry (Linda) VanHorne. Will be missed by grandchildren Cathy (Steve) Marshall, Chris VanHorne and Derek (Hollie) VanHorne. Cherished great-grandfather of Ryan, Andrew, Sarah, Elizabeth, Colby, Cohen and Reese. Brother of Bayward (predeceased) (Ellen), Olive Elliott (Alvin) (both predeceased), Garfield (predeceased), Beryle Sim (Miles) (both predeceased), Grant (predeceased) (Joan), Clayton (Glenna) and Gordon (Mavis) (both predeceased). Will always be remembered by many nieces, nephews and friends. With limited work on the Manitoulin Varley found employment operating heavy equipment in Durham and Sault Ste. Marie. Not a fan of dust and regular equipment failures he returned to the Island where he spent four years sailing the Great Lakes coal and grain ships. Always away from family, he decided to settle down close to home working at Ray Wagg's sawmill, drove Anglin's school bus until 1950 when hired by Department of Highways. Retired in 1987 from MTO as a patrolman. A devoted father, grandfather and "Uncle Varley" to many. He loved spending time with family and friends. In 1982 he was appointed Sunday School Superintendent of the Missionary Church. He loved woodworking, hunting, fishing, gardening, cutting wood, making maple syrup and especially feeding his ducks. In the community he was known as a handyman, always willing to lend a hand. In Varley's own words "I wouldn't consider living anywhere else but Manitoulin. It's peaceful and friendly people make this island so special. This is truly the Garden of Eden." Family and friends gathered at Mindemoya Missionary Church. Visitation was on Sunday, August 27, 2017 from 3 pm to 7 pm. Funeral Service was held at 2 pm on Monday, August 28, 2017 with Pastor Dan Thompson officiating. Burial at Mindemoya Cemetery. Donations to Manitoulin Centennial Manor Auxiliary or Mindemoya Missionary Church are appreciated. Island Funeral Home can only accept cheques for all charitable donations. Record your thoughts, memories and photos at [www.islandfuneralhome.ca](http://www.islandfuneralhome.ca).

### ELSIE ISABEL (MAGUIRE) SILESKEY

Elsie Isabel (Maguire) Sileskey, a resident of Englehart, Ontario, passed away on Wednesday, August 2, 2017 at the age of 73. Predeceased by her husband Clifford. Dear mother of Steven Sileskey and Leighann Garreau (Eric). Loving grandmother of Alex, Devin and Garett. Loved and cherished sister of Rosalie Jaggard and Alberta Sloss (predeceased). Predeceased by parents Oswald and Elsie Maguire. Laid to rest at Englehart Cemetery.

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# ...Now and Then: Georgina Nahwegahbow

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couple moved into an older home in Sucker Creek. There was no electricity, no indoor toilet and no running water. We had a wood stove. The carpenter's mark of 1952, was left in the attic. Later this home was replaced with one of the first DIAND (Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development) houses built in the community. It is the house on the corner of this street, right on Hwy 540. We moved into this new house just up the street, 12 years ago. The lot was bequeathed to Charlie by his dad. He had left one lot for each of his sons."

"After the birth of our first baby, there were diapers to wash. We hauled water from the creek, heated the water on the wood stove and did our washing. Then we hung them out in the cold where they became frozen boards. Our family included six children in all, Glenda who has died, Andrea, Sarah, Alfie, Maureen and Paula. We have 12 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. All the children and their offspring live here, in Aundeck Omni Kaning."

"Our family fostered children from the Children's Aid Society as well. We took in children who needed short-term care, but some stayed long enough to adopt us as their parents. We remain in close contact, helped by Facebook, and we still enjoy hearing 'mom' and 'dad' from them. Jamie and Linda, you are loved and always will be."

"I really enjoyed watching the kids grow up and now our grandchildren. There was always lots of sharing since they were close together in age." After the children were grown, Georgina decided to get a paying job in Little Current. "I became a cleaning lady, helping people take care of their homes. I also got work with our band in Lands and Estates Administration and did some counselling."

Furthering her education, Georgina attended Laurentian University to take Native Studies, psychology and sociology. The young mother wanted to do some teaching herself. Teacher training came next at North Bay's Nipissing University where she got her diploma. She joined the Teacher's Federation of Ontario. "I decided to go north to isolated First Nations, like Pikangikum where you had to fly in. Charlie and I stayed six years. He would work at home in the summer and join me for the winter. We spent another 10 years in other communities: Sandy Lake, Wannimum Lake, Webeque, Fort Albany and Parry Sound."

"Life was different there, another cultural awakening. People were tied to the land more closely in the north. They hunted and fished for their food. I learned the Odjicree language, similar to our own. I like to think that I was able to teach them new information as well and leave them a bit of our southern ways."

"While I was training to be a teacher, I met and was



The 25th anniversary with the whole family.

inspired by Violet Shawanda, a teacher from Wiky. She later taught in Sagamok too," Georgina adds. "Looking back, the most important event in my life was marrying a Christian man. Christianity has played a big role in our lives. Jesus is my lord and saviour. I knew that God had his plan for me and I hope I fulfilled it well by marrying Charles, sharing our spiritual, mental and physical love, being together for 50 years, and teaching northern isolated communities for 16 years of my life."

"My favourite season is the fall. It shows us so much beauty. We know the growing season is over but there is still a lot of nature to enjoy. Fewer bugs and snakes are present too. It is time to get the flower beds

and the garden ready for winter. Television shows? We don't watch much television, a few talk shows and the news seem to be our main interests." Georgina loves to work with her hands to create art. She has some splendid framed work displayed on her walls. She also loves to quilt, knit and crochet. In the spring, gardening is her main priority.

"What are my strengths? I like to think I am a good listener. Early in my life, my dad noticed two crowns (twirls of hair) on my scalp. He said, 'You will be a traveller.' He was right. I worked in the north, travelled also to Europe, North and South America, Alaska and Mexico. I would still like to see the Galapagos Islands and see England again. We visited England once but didn't see all we

wanted to see. We were also disappointed with the memorial for Princess Di. To us, it was just a dry, concrete circle, not worthy of her stature in life."

"My best friend in school died a few years ago. We had been to elementary school together. She dropped out in Grade 8 but we stayed in touch and stayed friends all these years. There is nothing I would change if I could go back in time. My life is part of God's plan. I will be happy if my children and grandchildren will think that I was a good mother and grandmother and the people in the community say of me, 'she had a positive outlook on life.'"

Manitoulin, Mnídoo Mnising, God's island, is one of the best places in the world. I am happy to live here. We are sheltered from storms that may rage around us. Life is a little slower here and real storms, higher winds and tornados are rare. I don't remember any before the 1970s. We have a unique Manitoulin culture here too, one that displays lots of friendliness and wisdom. I never want to live elsewhere. My heart is here with my family and the people of this Island."

## spirituality

**Lost--White Mercury dingy** with 6hp Yamaha motor. Went adrift early morning of August 23 in a strong southwesterly wind between Caroline Island and Turnbulls. \$500 reward. Please phone 231-499-9342 if found.

15-16p

**Dear church, in my devotions this week I read REV. 2+3,** the letters to the seven churches. It seems to me that in over 1900 years nothing has changed. There is still a lot of false doctrine around, God still loves you and God still wants you to repent, REV. 2:5, 16, 21+22, 3:3+19. 2 PET. 3:9 says: "the Lord is not willing that anyone should perish but that all should come to repentance." As I have said before, there is not one subject where the N.T. spends more space on than on warning against false doctrines, and believing false doctrines will keep a person out of the Kingdom of God, GAL. 5:19-21. It is each individual's own responsibility to make sure that his beliefs are sound, truth or 100% in agreement with what the Bible teaches. Besides giving us His word, God also has given prophets to the churches I COR. 12: 28, and God wants you to listen to those prophets and check what they say, I COR. 14:29. One of the main tasks of the Prophet is pointing out false doctrines or in other words bearing witness to the truth. False doctrines are lies of Satan that will keep a person in bondage until the truth is accepted, JOHN 8:31-44. When somebody tells you that some of the doctrines you believe are wrong, you should not be offended, but realize that that person loves you so much that he wants you to know the truth. One of the most important lessons that I have learned is that conflict on doctrine is God's way to guide you into truth and when you believe a false doctrine you can only be guided into the truth by somebody who knows the truth. One of the false doctrines in the churches is REV. 2:20." You tolerate that woman Jezebel." What you need to know is that in order to interpret the N.T. correctly, you need to study the O.T. passages to which they refer or allude. In this case you need to know certain facts about Queen Jezebel in 1 KINGS 16-21 and 2 KINGS 9. The main thing you need to understand is that Jezebel was a worshipper of Baal and Baal is the sun god who was worshipped on Sunday which is the day specifically designated to worship the sun. So Jezebel had turned her back on God's Sabbaths (Friday sunset till Saturday sunset.) So basically every church that worships on Sunday instead of on the Sabbath that God has designed for rest is allowing that woman Jezebel to lead them astray. When a person does not sanctify God's Sabbaths, he sins and that sin is as serious as murder or adultery and has the same consequences as disobeying any of the others of God's commandments. These consequences include spiritual blindness, mental confusion (mystery Babylon) DEUT. 28:28 and bondage to Satan. When you believe a lie, you will think wrong and act wrong and end up in the lake of fire, REV 21:8. instead of in the Kingdom of God. The only way to change your destiny is through recognizing and accepting the truth and repentance. Repentance means that you change your actions so they will conform to the instruction and commandments in God's word. Because God loves you, he wants you to repent. "He who has an ear let him hear what the spirit says unto the churches." Hank Reckman, Prophet of Manitoulin Search for Truth Biblical Ministries, Box 210, M'Chigeeng Ontario P0P 1G0

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# Little Current health food store changes hands

by Robin Burrige  
**LITTLE CURRENT**—The Island Jar in Little Current has changed owners, but the new proprietors have no plans to change the beloved health food store.  
 “I grew up in Gore Bay and my family now lives in Little Current,” shared Aline Taillefer, who bought

the business earlier this summer along with her husband Michael Do. “I went to school in Ottawa and have lived in Toronto for the last five years.”  
 Ms. Taillefer explained that she started her career with LAMBAC and wanted to get back into economic development.

“When the opportunity came up to purchase The Island Jar it was ideal,” said Ms. Taillefer. “We (Michael) are both interested in health and fitness—it was a natural fit.”

Ms. Taillefer has been on Manitoulin full-time this summer, but plans to travel between Manitoulin and Toronto in the fall/winter, as Mr. Do is still working in Toronto.

“We are keeping things similar for now,” said Ms. Taillefer of The Island Jar.

“We are planning some new menu items and workshop events in the fall. I will be working with some of our providers while I’m in Toronto. We also plan to keep showcasing local produce, products and artisans.”

The Island Jar is located in downtown Little Current and is open Monday to Friday from 9 am to 5:30 pm, Saturday from 9 am to 5 pm and Sundays from 10 am to 3 pm.



New Island Jar owner Aline Taillefer, centre, along with store managers Sarah Sabourin, left, and Crystal Mokohonuk.

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# Normoska antique and classic car rally wows Manitoulin



The band Double Barrel performed at the South Baymouth event for the Classic Car Show.

photo by Steph Burt Hillyard



Around 80 families made the trek to Manitoulin Island as part of the Historical Automobile Society of Canada's Normoska odyssey, bringing between 50 and 60 antique and classic cars and trucks to the highways and byways of the Island. The awards dinner held at the Tehkummah Triangle Seniors Hall packed the house.

photo by Michael Erskine



It's a hard luck life sometimes when you are an antique car rally, and this innovative trophy will help to commemorate the challenges presented by a cantankerous old vehicle and the steadfast and unconditional love of its owners.



Stately reminders of a bygone age romanticized in countless gangster films where the villains and g-men standing on the running boards while they hurtled down dusty rural roads firing off endless rounds of machine gun bullets. Small wonder that these majestic vehicles have captured the hearts of their dedicated owners.

by Michael Erskine  
MANITOULIN—The Tehkummah Triangle Seniors Club Hall was packed to the gunnels on Saturday evening as members of the Historical Automobile Society of Canada held their annual Normoska antique car rally on Manitoulin Island.

The over 50 antique and classic automobiles were turning heads all across Manitoulin as they visited communities and took in the sights.

"We had about 80 families taking part," said Historical Automobile Society of Canada president Fred Elliott of London. "Not all of them had cars, of course, some traileered up and others brought their modern vehicles, but there were probably 50 or 60 cars ranging from the 1970s to the teens."

The group were casting about for a place to hold this year's Normoska when they hit upon the idea of returning to Manitoulin. "We were up here in the 1980s," said Mr. Elliott. "We had a great time then, so we thought it would be a great idea to come back again."

The group goes to a different area each year, explained Mr. Elliott. "The name Normoska started out as 'North to Muskoka,' but we shortened it up a bit."

This year's Normoska committee included Jerry and Sharon McMullin of JD's Garden Centre in Tehkummah, Keith and Carol Hensley along with Fred and Liz Elliott.

Among the top attractions at this year's show and shine was Max Burt's venerable old 1909 Tudhope, long rumoured to be Manitoulin Island's first automobile. The Tudhope is also heralded as the "most Canadian of automobiles." The Tudhopes were built in Orillia, Ontario and said to contain the most made in Canada parts of any car before or since.

The car enthusiasts certainly enjoyed their time while on Manitoulin Island and Islanders enjoyed the opportunity to check out the ancient and classic vehicles and kibbutz with the owners about the history and rejuvenation behind each shining example.



Tyler Leeson of South Baymouth stands proudly beside his 1962 GMC dumptruck. Tyler was likely the youngest participant at 14-years-old.

photo by Steph Burt Hillyard

Above, right and below. Members of the Historical Automobile Society of Canada visited a number of iconic Manitoulin sites including Lobo Loco Alpacas and the harbour at South Baymouth.



Plenty of large lights supplied plenty of candle power on this beauty.



Max Burt sits at the wheel of the family's 1909 Tudhope, long believed to have been Manitoulin's first automobile. The Tudhope is considered the most Canadian of cars as it contains the most Canadian manufactured parts of any vehicle before or since. The Tudhope was manufactured in Orillia.



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# Tehkummah Talk and Times

Tara, Ray, Jacob and Skylar got back from Thornbury on Thursday evening the 17th. They stayed at Kim and Kathy's house while they went zip lining, biking and walking treetops in the Blue Mountain area. From all reports and despite Jacob's skinned knee and bruises, they had a great time. They met K and K's new little kitten Ray, brought me in some mushrooms, they are doing extremely well. I suppose the damp weather helps. He had two big boxes overflowing.

Tehkummah could have blown sky high! I was surprised to see "Gas Leak" sign on the post office door! I would have hated to lose my bills and advertisements!

Isobel Harry, thanks for the nice article on the township. It was great travelling with you. I don't know what happened to my article a couple of weeks back re "grave yard" Michael's Bay, because it read like it was in South Baymouth.

Wednesday night! It's almost like trying to find a place close enough to park for fireworks in South Baymouth but tonight the waterfront was booming (and the rain held off) with sight seers live music, and antiques .....and I'm not talking of the mostly older folks. What a wonderful display of antique cars; a lot of them with their proud owners to tell the story. Barb (nee Mandie) had a car there she stated this was the best show on the Island this year! I met up with Jane and Bruce Johnson again; they were our guests on Sunday for Fairview's 120th (1915 Ford. I got it right this time). Also met these nice folk from Ariss, Ontario. He came through the door of the hall today while we were playing cribbage with one of my books for me to sign, so I had to meet his wife. Tom and Bea Collins had their daughter Cindy with them and pretty granddaughter Cora. Nice folks I get to meet. Also tonight I saw Don and Marlene Coultis. Clark was with them, and grandson Gage.

We went to Carol's and Earl's for supper. Joan and Borden were there, got to meet Bordie's son Vic and his wife Cinda. Sat and people-watched a bitparked in "my dad's 5" front of us; loved the car and it's colour. Cal

dumped me out, and here I write!

Cribbage: 5 1/2 tables today. Thanks, everyone, for the good lunch. Today the high hand was Doris, 21; first, Graham and Sheila, 922; second, Doris and Melissa, 919; third, Mary and Jean, 916; low, Lyle and Hugh, 838; door, Cal and Patrysha.

Looking up the Bay was the most beautiful pastel half rainbow, Wednesday evening. Lots of puddles here at home. It sure must have rained hard, looked like storm/snow clouds! Geese flying formation south already?

Rick and Lori Gordon are back from Calgary. They attended a wedding, Rick's niece, and I hear they met up with my grandson Kris Hall in Canmore.

Bid euchre results, Tuesday afternoon, 1 pm, August 22, lost the list! Pat Boyle was first; Dave James, second. (I think?)

Euchre, regular 6 tables; ladies' high, Florence, 78; lone hands, Linda, 3; ladies' low, Barb, 43; men's high, Simon, 77; men's lone hands, John, 3; men's low, Ann, 35; door, Dave. K.P. duty, Mary and Floyd, thanks.

Friend Wayne Bruckholder from Brechin, Ontario dropped in for the annual visit. He keeps up on the news by my column. He's staying at Fullfords cottages, Providence Bay.

Last week for the Garden Shed and the summer we didn't have. I've spent a few enjoyable hours in food and flowers! Thank you so much Laurie, Gail, Yogi and Amanda.

Nancy Delalbio popped in on Thursday asking about Carter Bay. She was planning on picking sand cherries; I said the only place I'd ever picked them was Prov shoreline years ago. She says none there now. Friday she stopped in again with Jackie Grant, whom I hadn't seen for years, reminding me she used to fill in as church organist back when!? Oh, and Nancy didn't yet get the sand cherries. But Mum made jam today, gooseberry. Ray and Skylar picked some. I think there's still lots, darn it; there's much I can't do anymore.

Hey, Tara saw the cougar on Monday at Elgin Martin's hill.

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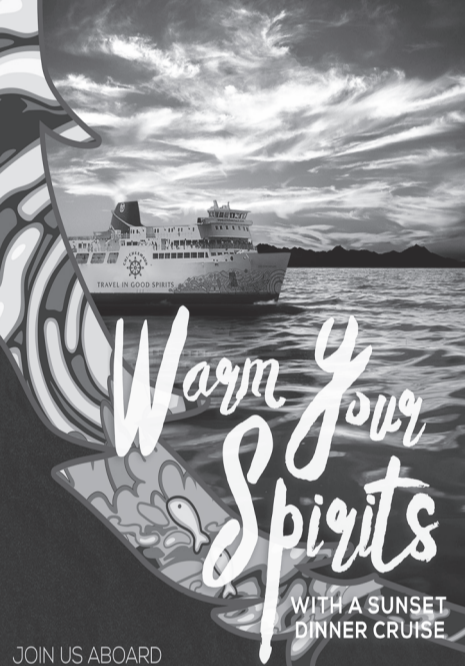
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## Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory: A rich

by Isobel Harry

WIKWEMKOONG—In a wooded clearing that is the trailhead for Bebamikawe Memorial Trail in Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory—formerly known as Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve No. 26 and also known to many as Wiky—small logs smoulder in a firepit of rocks as a hand drum of deer hide stretched on a ring of cedar is warmed over the embers. Craig Fox (with the able assistance of Naomi Mishibinjima and Austin Pangowish) is the teacher, singer and drummer who warms the drums to tighten them while introducing himself—born in Wikwemkoong, Wolf Clan, lives in M’Chigeeng with his wife and family, his drum group is Thunder Road—and solicit-

ing introductions from the assembled participants seated in a semi circle around the fire in the ‘Drum and Song’ Experience of Wikwemikong Tourism.

The information booth and office of Wikwemikong Tourism on Wikwemikong Way (Wikwemkoong’s long main street) is the perfect place to begin an exploration of Manitoulin’s single largest land mass—the territory totals 42,000 hectares and, with Point Grondine’s additional nearly 14,000 hectares near Killarney, is one of the 10 largest First Nation communities in Canada. The Authentic Indigenous Experiences “reflect the cultural lifestyles and traditions of the Anishnaabek people of the Three Fires Confederacy—Ojibwe, Odawa and Pottawatomi—and of



The Jesuit Mission in Wiikwemkoong built a church and residence on this site in 1849, both of which burned in 1954; the church was rebuilt while these ruins of the former school and residence are now home to the summer productions of Debajehmujig theatre group.

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# Sheguiandah First Nation resident has life changing trip to Nicaragua

by Alicia McCutcheon  
 TORONTO—Sheguiandah First Nation's Aaron Bowerman has just returned from a life changing trip to Nicaragua as part of Indigenous Youth Empowering Students (IYES) and SchoolBOX—a grassroots Canadian and Nicaraguan charity that sees the role that 'giving back' to impoverished communities in Nicaragua can play in the empowerment of Indigenous youth to become leaders in their own communities at home.

Mr. Bowerman, who currently lives in Toronto where he works for the Ontario Aboriginal HIV/AIDS Strategy as an outreach and support worker, told The Expositor that he first became aware of the program online as they were seeking Indigenous youth to take part in the program. Mr. Bowerman jumped at the chance to learn more about a different Indigenous culture in a different country, while exploring his own roots.

He was there for two weeks earlier this month, helping to build classrooms in small communities that either didn't have a classroom or had ones that were in need of repair. "That, and interacting with the community," Mr. Bowerman said of his time in Nicaragua.

"It was amazing, interacting with the kids. We



Sheguiandah's Aaron Bowerman visits with youth during his trip to Nicaragua.



Aaron Bowerman, front row, with youth in Nicaragua. He travelled to Nicaragua as part of Indigenous Youth Empowering Students (IYES) and SchoolBOX—a grassroots Canadian and Nicaraguan charity.

couldn't speak each other's languages, but we managed to communicate anyway—I played a lot of soccer," he laughed. "It was so great to see these little kids

helping us build, working right alongside us."

Mr. Bowerman learned that there are many different tribes in Nicaragua. There are 12 different regions with different tribes in each and every one, including their own customs, language and regalia.

"I saw a lot of dancing and heard a lot of poetry," he added, noting that the people of Nicaragua were keen to share their love of poetry with their Canadian visitors.

"It was eye opening, exhausting, but a lot of

fun," Mr. Bowerman said. "It's my hope that more Indigenous youth will take part in IYES. It's such an amazing experience."

He spoke of the extreme heat of a South American country in August and of the culture shock, but once you push past it, it's well worth it.

Mr. Bowerman said he shared with the children the importance of getting a good education, especially for girls. Before, he said, schooling was only for the wealthy.

Mr. Bowerman is back in Toronto at his full-time job

and said he is thinking about going back to school, likely at the First Nations Technical Institute, which has flexible programs that allow students to work and study at the same time.

"I really enjoy learning," he said. "And I really like the work I'm doing, harm reduction." Through this job he said he has learned a lot about the importance of self-care, which is also why taking some time to go on the IYES trip was important to him.

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# Lakeview students learn about bike safety and receive free helmets

by Robin Burrige

M'CHIGEENG—A partnership between the Ontario Safety League, St. John Ambulance, the Ministry of Transportation (MTO), UCCM Anishnaabe Police and Lakeview School saw elementary students at Lakeview School receive free bike helmets last Tuesday, while learning about bike safety. Helmets were also distributed at the Whitefish River First Nation Powwow, with a total of 135 helmets handed out to area youths.

"It was identified that the usage of helmets on the Island was really low," said Brian Patterson, president and CEO of the Ontario Safety League and branch commissioner of the York Region St. John Ambulance. "Last year we handed out 750 helmets on the Island, as well as 90 bikes. This year we have handed out an additional 135 helmets—the MTO is a big supporter of this safety initiative."

"We are quite fortunate to receive these helmets and bike safety instruction," said M'Chigeeng First Nation Director of Education and Lakeview School acting principal Robert Beaudin. "This is a collaboration of a lot of different parties—it's wonderful to see everyone working together towards the safety of our youth."

Grade 7 and 8 students at Lakeview also received first aid training as part of the



Biish, age 7, and Caleb, age 8, show off their new helmets.

photos by Robin Burrige

event at Lakeview School.

"Cycling is such a great way to get around, stay fit and have fun," said the Honorable Steven De Duca, Minister of Transportation, and Eleanor McMaho, Minister of Tourism Culture and Sport, in a press release. "On behalf of the MTO, I'd like to thank the Ontario Safety League and

everyone here today for recognizing the importance of safe cycling, especially the need to wear a helmet. Whether you're a child just learning to ride your first bike or an adult who's been cycling your whole life—today's event is a great reminder to always keep safety in mind."



UCCM Anishnaabe Police Community Services Officer Murray Still and Brian Patterson, president and CEO of the Ontario Safety League and branch commissioner of the York Region St. John Ambulance, pose with Lakeview School students Cohen, age 5, Rhyllie, age 6, and Angel, age 4, at a community event held at the school where the students received new bike helmets.

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**EDITOR'S NOTE:** In her column *BeyondRx*, Andrea Wong, a 4th year Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) candidate from the University of Waterloo, and a very new member to the Manitoulin community, will be exploring topics on health and wellness, medical advances, and everything in between in the pages of this newspaper.

**Reflecting on the Manitoulin experience by Andrea Wong**

As I am sitting on the MS Chi-Cheemaun en route home, I thought it would be befitting to write my last piece for the Expositor. It is crazy to think how fast six months go by and I certainly feel bittersweet saying goodbye. I remember my nervousness when I was first moving up to Manitoulin Island. I didn't know much about working "up north" in a rural community and all I knew was that it was certainly going to be

# Beyond Rx

different than working in my hometown in Kitchener-Waterloo. But in the time here, I learned to appreciate the differences between working in a remote community compared to my previous work in larger urban areas.

One of my favourite things about Manitoulin Island is the strong sense of community. It was heartwarming seeing the community support when I was involved with throwing a yard sale to raise funds for the hospital telemetry cardiac equipment. There are also lots of incredible initiatives to promote community engagement through health promotion programs that I was able to be involved in such as the

Stand Up Program to decrease the risk of falls for seniors and a Walking Group program to promote a social way to exercise. Being a part of these allowed me to really bond with the residents of our community. The programs here are also aimed to incorporate culturally appropriate elements to improve access and outcomes for all participants. For patients who are unable to drive due their health conditions are heavily reliant on others to be able to engaged in their community due to lack of things within walkable distance. Despite these difficulties, there are services like the Angel Bus aimed to

improve accessibility. The family doctors here are also extremely accessible which is both beneficial for the residents with health concerns but also promotes strong interprofessional collaboration between different healthcare practitioners.

All in all, working on Manitoulin Island has certainly been a great experience. I was frequently asked if I would consider coming back to work and I have to say that it is certainly a strong possibility. I would like to thank my fellow colleagues for allowing me to bring my skills and knowledge as a pharmacist to improve patient care, my patients for placing their trust in me, and the Expositor for allowing me to share my passion and thoughts for health and wellness.

## ...Tehkummah Talk

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You know this issue on spraying in our township. It should be on the books. I/we voted against it when I was on council in the late 80s. I thought it was a bylaw!

The market was busy on Friday, checked out Susan Morton's "Sassy Bling." It was nice to say hello to Kelly.

Got a call this a.m. trying to find out what I didn't see across the road from me here in downtown Tehkummah. I didn't hear anything either, but Ward's store was broken into. Neighbourhood Watch, though not current, was working well. I haven't been inside too long, doing a bit of garden cleanup. Kept away from folks today with my weepy eye and sniffy nose! Hey, friends, hello to you all. Keep well, keep happy.

Mum and I had breakfast at the Garden Shed on Saturday morning.

Ray participated in the cooking category at the Deer Show in Assiginack on Sunday. Skylar spent the weekend with her friend in Little Current. She spent last week at horse camp, Honora Bay, did well in her test.

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## Providence Bay News and Notes

Congratulations go out to Rebecca Dawson our 2016-2017 Providence Bay Fair Ambassador who was down at the Canadian National Exhibition (CNE) representing Manitoulin Island and the Providence Bay Agricultural Society. She gained new skills in public speaking and leadership and made new friendships. Thank you for being our representative.

Don LeBlond had his daughter up visiting from Toronto for the Providence Bay Fair. She made many entries into the exhibitors' portion of the fair and made enough money to pay

for her gas to come up and visit. Not a bad deal.

Visitors Scott Ratcliffe and Nancy Quinn from Newmarket enjoyed Providence Bay's hospitality while up visiting friends in town and family in Lonely Bay. They enjoyed seeing all of the classic cars that were around Manitoulin Island last week.

Marley Neill flew out to BC last week to visit her mom Anna and will be returning by driving across Canada. We hope you have an exciting trip. There is so much to see in our beautiful country.

Happy belated birthday

wishes go out to Bobbie McAllister who turned 20-years-old on August 23.

Glen Bryan is home again at their cottage, the Hummingbird Retreat.

Sally Dawson (nee McDermid) was home for an extended visit with family and friends in Providence Bay. While here, she helped to celebrate the wedding of her niece Morgen McDermid to Dave Moggy in Manitowaning on August 26. Congratulations to the happy couple.

The annual rib and corn roast that was hosted by the Providence Bay and Spring Bay Lions Club at the arena

on August 26 was well attended as usual and a good time was had by all.

The last of the summer music series will be held this Thursday, August 31 at the Huron Island Time ice cream shop. This week's artist is Angela Schleichauf. Angela is the kind of musician who feels little the need to be bound by genre. In her live performances, she hops nimbly from topical folk songs, to unique covers of popular songs, before surprising her audiences with the occasional classical oboe piece. As member of the folk band Three Little Birds, Angela's

music has been nominated for a Canadian Folk Music Award, and named in the Top 10 Songs of the Year by Ottawa Citizen.

The last open mic will also be held on Saturday, September 2. So bring/try out your musician skills come on down to the Huron Island Time and have some fun.

The last long weekend of the summer is upon us. The children and youth will be returning to school following the Labour Day weekend.

Euchre will be resuming their regular games every Tuesday night after the

long weekend. The euchre tournaments will remain on the last Tuesday of each month.

If there is anything that you would like to contribute to the Providence Bay News and Notes, we'd love to hear from you. Please let us know of any upcoming birthdays, anniversaries, or events. You can email prov\_chick@hotmail.com or call Cheryl at 705-862-1613. All submissions are required by 3 pm on the Sunday before each Wednesday publication of the paper. Have a great week everyone.

## ...Visiting Manitoulin: Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory

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bathe everyone in an attitude of receptivity.

"There's a spirit inside that drum," says our guide as he explains the etiquette around the instrument, from "watching your language" to not allowing any "chaos" from playing children. Then a respectful mood pervades the circle as Craig Fox begins softly to strike the deer hide with cattail-style sticks in the 1-2 heartbeat rhythm familiar to powwow attendees. "This beat is used in the two-step or round dances, with dancers marking the beat in their steps." Craig's beautifully trained voice rises to sing a healing song known as the Jingle Dress Song, also sung during a grass dance, which came from the Ojibwe, he says, and is "the newest form of dance at about 100-years-old." The songs follow each other, haunting, ancient invocations that have served in ceremonies, social events and historical occasions since time immemorial.

A women's traditional song, the Water Song, is followed by a men's "traditional sneak-up song," as Craig Fox laughingly suggests that there should be an "Eighth Grandfather Teaching - Humour!" A pot of water for tea is put on the grate as Craig wraps up with the Three Fires Confederacy Song; several hikers have arrived from the trails, drawn to the circle of people around the fire by the sounds of drum and song floating up the Escarpment through the trees.

The archaeological digs at Sheguiandah and Providence Bay indicate that Manitoulin Island was inhabited perhaps as long as 10,000 years ago; the first recorded contact between these original Island people and French explorers was in 1635 and the Jesuits began their missions in Wiikwemkoong in 1648. Mary Lou Fox, the late founder and director of the Ojibwe Cultural Foundation, has said that in the late seventeenth century, "Nearly all [Manitoulin's] inhabitants seem to have deserted it. The exact reason for this exodus remains a mystery," although the most often heard story is of the people setting fire to the woods to "drive out evil spirits that were causing much sickness and troubles." In the early eighteenth century both Native and non-Native groups began to populate the Island again and in 1833 Odawa from Arbre Croche (Crooked Tree), Michigan, Coldwater, Ontario and places in Quebec settled in Wiikwemkoong.

In 1836, the Bond Head Treaty sought to initiate the migration of Upper Canada Indians to Manitoulin Island where they could live free from the influences of the encroaching white civilization. In 1862, another treaty assigned reserves to the Indigenous population and the rest of Manitoulin Island was sold to non-Natives for settlement. Wiikwemkoong refused to sign and retains its original peninsula territory to this day, Canada's only officially recognized unceded territory.

The deep history of the community is vibrantly portrayed in Wikwemikong Tourism's 'Unceded Journey' Experience with Mitchell Manitowabi as guide—and a few of us accompany him on an enlightening tour that puts the broad sweep of times past into the local context of today.

The population, originally Odawa, with Pottawatomi arriving in 1836 and Ojibwe after 1850, is spread out in several settlements, or satellite communities, including



As seen from Wiikwemkoong, Manitowaning appears much as it did over a century and a half ago when it served as the government centre for the administration of the Indigenous population.

Kaboni, Buzwah, South Bay, Rabbit Island, Murray Hill, Cape Smith, and Wiikwemkongsing, explains Mitchell as we drive to sites with markers planted by the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization to commemorate important historical events and locations. Starting with the view of Manitowaning across the bay, we stand on a lookout platform to hear the story of the first treaty, the setting up of a government Indian administrative centre in Manitowaning, the annual giving of presents that took place there. The span of the water with the little village on the far shore looking very much as it did well over a hundred years ago brings our guide's tales vividly to life. We visit the Holy Cross Jesuit Mission Church and the ruins of the former school and student residence, impressive still, the three-foot thick stone walls like mute guardians of the community's beginnings. We finish down by the Marina building, overlooking Smith Bay and the long peninsula of Cape Smith beyond, where the Heritage Organization's markers tell the story of the community's iconic whitewashed log homes. "We put that one up specifically because some European visitors had to be convinced that we didn't live in tipis," says Mitchell, and of the launching of the first pow wow by Rosemary Fisher in 1960; now the Wiikwemkoong Cultural Festival, it has been a pivotal event in the community's cultural calendar for 57 years, attracting thousands of visitors from all over the world over the August Civic Holiday weekend. "Powwows were outlawed until the 1950s," adds Mitchell Manitowabi. "When that ban was lifted, Rosemary, who had been to a pow wow out west, invited some dancers to perform in Wiki." The fieldstone war memorial topped with a cross on Monument Hill was created in 1930 by Dominic and Jonas Odjig; Mitchell notes that the many crosses that can be seen in Wiikwemkoong were erected after the arrival of the Jesuits.

There is much to see, visit and ponder in Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory and there are restaurants, accommodations, the enormous shopping complex at Andy's, the gallery of James Simon Mishibinijima on Lakeshore Road and businesses like Gordie Odjig's Indianguide Tours and



The memorial to Wiikwemkoong's war veterans was built in 1930 by Dominic and Jonas Odjig, explains Mitchell Manitowabi of Wikwemikong Tourism during an 'Unceded Journey' Experience.

Wasse-Giizhik Tours that specialize in explorations on the water through an Aboriginal lens. Annual events such as the Cultural Festival, the traditional pow wow that rotates through the different communities on Father's Day weekend (June), the Fall Fair (September), summer productions by internationally-acclaimed Debajehmujig theatre group in the Holy Cross ruins, the Ice Fishing Derby (February), all are compelling introductions to this vibrant community.

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Two definitive books on the history of Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory are 'Balancing Two Worlds' by Cecil King and 'Four Voices' by Shelley J. Pearen; also by Ms Pearen, 'Exploring Manitoulin' gives a historical account of Wiikwemkoong and Manitowaning—all are available in the Manitoulin Expositor Bookstore.

The Wikwemikong Tourism info booth is open Monday to Saturday until Labour Day weekend; tours are offered throughout the year. Contact: inquiries@wikwemikong.ca and toll-free telephone: 1-844-945-8687.

For more on Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory, including business listings and events and the programs of Wikwemikong Tourism, visit [www.wikwemikong.ca](http://www.wikwemikong.ca) For Point Grondine Park, see [www.grondinepark.com](http://www.grondinepark.com)

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